

VICTORIAN COUNTRY VOLLEYBALL COUNCIL

MINUTES OF SECOND ANNUAL MEETING HELD AT BALLARAT ON 11/9/76

The meeting was declared open at 9.00 p.m. by the President Mr. R. Kenter.

PRESENT: R. KENTER J. SOPPE Latrobe Valley
J. DEWAR M. BROMLEY Ballarat
D. WATSON M. MANSFIELD Bendigo
A. WILLIAMS J. MAMMONE Goulbourn Valley
B. CAREY Geelong
K. BROOKS A. LOWE Warrnambool

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS ANNUAL MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Secretary.

Moved that they be accepted as read: J. Soppe

Seconded: J. Dewar

CARRIED

REPORTS (1) Secretaries Report

B. Carey moved that the Secretaries written report as tabled be accepted.

Seconded: K. Brooks

CARRIED

(2) Records Secretaries Report

M. Mansfield reported that this years Registrations were finalised and because of many problems he had experienced future updates would be done just after the commencement of each Association's competition.

D. Watson moved that the report be accepted.

Seconded: A. Lowe

CARRIED

(3) Treasurers Report

M. Mansfield moved that the Secretaries report be accepted as read.

Seconded: A. Lowe

CARRIED

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

Confirmation of voting rights: D. Watson moved that all present from Registered Associations be accorded the right to vote.

Seconded: A. Lowe

CARRIED

1/ PRESIDENT:

M. Mansfield nominated R. Kenter.

Seconded: D. Watson

Being no further nominations R. Kenter was duly elected.

2/ VICE PRESIDENT

B. Carey nominated A. Lowe

Seconded: K. Brooks

Being no further nominations A. Lowe was duly elected.

3/ SECRETARY

A. Lowe nominated D. Watson.

Seconded: B. Carey

Being no further nominations D. Watson was duly elected.

4/ TREASURER/RECORDS SECRETARY

D. Watson nominated M. Mansfield

Seconded: A. Lowe

Being no further nominations M. Mansfield was duly elected.

5/ V.A.V.A. REPRESENTATIVE & LIASON OFFICER

D. Watson nominated B. Carey.

Seconded: A. Lowe

Being no further nominations B. Carey was duly elected.

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GENERAL BUSINESS

(1) R. Kenter moved that the Draft Constitution as prepared by T. Stevens be received and each Association be asked to have a look at it.

Seconded: J. Soppe

CARRIED

(2) M. Mansfield moved that T. Stevens be written to by the Secretary and thanked for the work he has done in preparing the Draft Constitution.

Seconded: D. Watson

CARRIED

Being no further business the President Mr. R. Kenter declared the meeting closed at 10.00 p.m.

(f) It was also decided that International Scoresheets would be used in all matches and that the Secretary would be entrusted with providing the Scoresheets.

(g) Geelong to prepare and distribute a map detailing directions of how to get to their new stadium.

6. Registration System.

M. MANSFIELD moved that Registration Fees for the coming year be \$2.00 per Senior player and \$1.00 per Junior player. Junior to be defined as a player under 18 years of age as at 1/1/77.

Seconded A. WILLIAMS
CARRIED.

7. Leave of Absence.

R. KENTER moved that M. Mansfield be granted three (3) months leave of absence from his official duties for the period June - September and that the Secretary take over his functions as Treasurer for that period.

Seconded A. LOWE
CARRIED.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5.30 p.m. for TEA INTERVAL.

SATURDAY: SECOND SESSION 8.00 p.m. - 12.00 p.m.

The Second Session was declared open by the President R. KENTER at 8.00 p.m.

1. Constitution.

The first three hours of this session were devoted to discussing and amending the draft Constitution. At the end of this period B. CAREY moved that the Constitution and By-Laws of the V.C.V.C. as tabled with such amendments as recorded and confirmed by this meeting be now confirmed in total.

Seconded A. WILLIAMS
CARRIED.

2. V.A.V.A. Situation.

In the remaining hour discussion centred around the proposed line of questioning and methods by which the V.C.V.C. could indicate to the V.A.V.A. its dissatisfaction of the way they were handling their affairs. Many examples were used by various delegates to further express the feelings of dissatisfaction.

THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED AT MIDNIGHT UNTIL THE FOLLOWING DAY.

SUNDAY: FIRST AND ONLY SESSION 8.55 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.

THE SUNDAY SESSION WAS DECLARED OPEN AT 8.55 a.m. BY THE PRESIDENT R. KENTER

GENERAL BUSINESS (Continued)

8. Bulk Purchasing of Materials.

M. MANSFIELD moved that the V.C.V.C. undertake the responsibility of preparing a price list of all Volleyball equipment and to undertake to be suppliers of same to all affiliated associations.

Seconded B. FRASER
CARRIED.

9. International Score Sheets.

After some discussion with regard to the use of International Score Sheets the general opinion was that they should be gradually introduced into each Association.

10. Publicity & Promotion.

The position of the V.C.V.C. with regard to this topic was discussed and no firm decisions reached. However R. KENTER moved that the Geelong Association look at publicity with regard to the Country Championships and possible coverage in the Herald and Geelong Advertiser.

Seconded M. MANSFIELD
CARRIED.

V.A.V.A. DELEGATES

W. GOLLONG, Secretary V.A.V.A. and M. PERROT Treasurer V.A.V.A. attended representing the V.A.V.A. W. GOLLONG reported as follows:

1. V.C.V.C. - Possibility of new Association to be formed at the following centres: MILDURA, HORSHAM, ARARAT & DAYLESFORD.
2. That he had received requests for information from the Bendigo Teachers College.
3. That a teacher from the Golden Square High School had written to V.A.V.A. requesting Volleyball information. This request was passed to M. Mansfield for conveyance to the Bendigo Association.
4. That he had received a letter from Warracknabeal. A copy of this letter will be sent to V.C.V.C. Secretary to establish contact.
5. That \$350.00 was the maximum State Government Grant available for the Country Championships.
6. That an indoor Recreation Centre is to be built at Kerang.
7. That the following Grants had been received from the State Government
(a) \$8,000.00 State Director of Coaching
(b) \$ 350.00 Country Championships
(c) \$ 250.00 High Schools Championships

In reply to questions Mr. Gollong clarified the position regarding the High Schools Championships.

8. That Mr. Santamaria from Manila has been appointed as the State Director of Coaching and that his appointment is presently being held up due to Immigration delays. In reply to several questions Mr. Gollong advised that Mr. Santamaria's services would cost \$14,000.00 per annum which would be met as follows:
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| \$8,000.00 | State Grant |
| \$2,000.00 | Metropolitan Volleyball Council |
| \$ 500.00 | Eastern Volleyball Association |
| \$3,500.00 | Charges for use of the Coach |

In response to further questions he advised that the Coach would be available to Country centres on request and that V.A.V.A. will invite applications in due course.

Following further questioning and discussion on this matter B. CAREY moved that a letter be forwarded to V.A.V.A. requesting a copy of the Contract relating to the appointment of the State Director of Coaching and also inquiring as to whether such Contract will be signed by the applicant before the V.A.V.A. accepts the responsibility for him from the Immigration Department.

Seconded D. WATSON
CARRIED.

9. That a Sports Exhibition will be held in the Exhibition Buildings in February 1978. M. MANSFIELD moved that the V.C.V.C. support in principle the inclusion of Volleyball in the proposed Exhibition and that we wish to be given every opportunity to assist.

Seconded A. LOVE
CARRIED.

10. That the 1979 Senior Olympics would be held in Australia and that V.A.V.A. would be preparing a submission to have Volleyball included on the program.
11. That the 1978 Australian Under 20 Championships would be held in Victoria and that all Country Associations would be invited to conduct these championships.
12. In connection with discussion on a point raised at that time M. MANSFIELD moved that the V.A.V.A. be requested to provide 12 copies of all printed material for distribution to Country centres and that these be forwarded direct to the Secretary of the V.C.V.C. for distribution.

Seconded H. WILLIAMS
CARRIED.

13. Also in connection with a point raised at the time it was requested that Mr. Gollong forward copies of the A.V.F. Constitution and last financial report.
14. That the V.A.V.A. had been approached by an Insurance broker offering a scheme covering Insurance on all players in Victoria. When questioned Mr. Gollong stated that no further details were known at this stage and that the V.C.V.C. would be informed prior to any action being taken.

15. That the current number of registered players in Victoria was
2,874 comprising Senior 2,044
Junior 830

M. MANSFIELD then questioned the validity of these figures. He stated the amount the V.C.V.C. had paid in Registration fees in respect of its 1,564 Registered players and the total amount V.A.V.A. had received in Registration moneys indicated that there were only approximately 200 Registered players in Melbourne whereas the figures just given indicated that there were 1,310 Registered players in Melbourne. Mr. Gollong admitted that the figures did not represent actual registered players but only possible and guessed at figures for next years Registration.

16. That tapes from Canadian T.V. of all Volleyball games played at the Olympics were available.
B. CAREY moved that the V.A.V.A. inquire re the compatibility or otherwise of Canadian videotape and Australian videotape machines with a view to the purchase of the film of the final match at a cost of \$100.00.

Seconded K. BROOKES
CARRIED.

17. That a Sydney firm who promoted the Abba Tour are considering Australia wide sponsorship of Volleyball per the medium of Television.

That being the end of the V.A.V.A. Delegates report the President R. KENTER invited questions from the floor. A sample of some of the questions asked were as follows:

- (a) Why have annual financial reports not been audited as set down in V.A.V.A. Constitution?
- (b) Why have only 4 motions been moved in the last 7 V.A.V.A. meetings?
- (c) Why isn't all correspondence tabled at V.A.V.A. meetings?
- (d) Why haven't all directives as set down in the minutes of each meeting been followed by the Secretary/Treasurer?
- (e) Why does the V.A.V.A. waste it's time at meetings etc. with the minor details of finals of State League etc. when the M.V.C. as a body are responsible for this and other functions?
- (f) What do the V.A.V.A. Representatives see as V.A.V.A. duties?
- (g) Why have they decided to restructure Volleyball in Victoria and why did they fail to advise the V.C.V.C. of these plans?
- (h) Why are V.A.V.A meetings held in different places all the time and at different times each month.

Many more questions were asked and many more could have been asked. However as the answers to most of the questions were unsatisfactory or insufficient to satisfy the reason for the question, the President R. KENTER called an end to the questioning. He stated that it was obvious that the present handling of the State's affairs by V.A.V.A. was not satisfactory and that the general feeling of the meeting was that the actual composition of the executive of the V.A.V.A. needed changing and that the V.A.V.A. should support and strengthen the M.V.C. as the controlling body of Volleyball in the Metropolitan area and that the V.A.V.A. executive as a body should not be involved with this responsibility. The President then called for a motion to relay the feelings of the V.C.V.C. to the V.A.V.A.

M. MANSFIELD moved that the V.A.V.A. representatives express to the V.A.V.A. executive the V.C.V.C.'s discontent at the current handling of the affairs of the V.A.V.A., in line with today's discussions.

Seconded C. LUDLOW
CARRIED

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VICTORIAN COUNTRY VOLLEYBALL COUNCIL.

SECRETARY'S REPORT - September 1975 - September 1976.

The V.C.V.C. has now been in existence for a period of two years and the past year has been an exciting one, in our road to maturity as the controlling body of our sport in country Victoria.

Over the last year we have experienced the successful running of the second Country championships conducted by this Council and also we have administered a successful year in the growth of Volleyball in country, Victoria.

We have witnessed a continued improvement in the standard of both volleyball and the manner in which tournaments have been conducted over the past year. Interest of those involved in the administration of the sport also does not appear to have waned to any notable extent.

Points of interest over this past year have been -

1. The possibility of V.A.V.A appointing a State coach.
2. The standardization of the method of determining the winners of all matches played in country tournaments.
3. The interest shown by smaller association not presently members of the V.C.V.C. and also associations outside of Victoria in joining the V.C.V.C.
4. The Subsidy for the country championships being obtained from V.A.V.A.
5. The responsibility of the draws for the country championships being transferred from the V.C.V.C. to the host association.
6. The noticeable improvement in the standard of play of some teams following the introduction of different methods etc., introduced following the Asian championships.
7. The possibility of under 17 championships being conducted in conjunction with the Country Championships to be held at Geelong in June 1977.
8. The establishing of a ruling on players eligible to compete in the country championships.
9. The greater interest shown by some associations in the affairs of the V.C.V.C.

The immediate future of the V.C.V.C. appears to be assured but I feel that before we can start planning for the future we must first take some action along the following lines.

1. Examine each individual association in order to assist with any problems they may be experiencing to obtain a general picture of how each association is run and to obtain a general idea of how they think we could be assisting them to the betterment of volleyball, both within their own association and within country Victoria.
2. Take a close look at the original 10 objectives of the V.C.V.C. steering committee of 1974 and endeavour to take some action with a view to achieving or finalizing the proposals set out therein.
3. Attempt to arrange referees clinics to be held in each country centre once a year also a clinic for coaches, may be worth some consideration.
4. Due to the increasing interest in Junior Volleyball and several other areas at which we are presently not involved in it will be necessary shortly to form several sub committees within the V.C.V.C. to handle the increased work load that will undoubtedly be placed upon this council.


Because of the great distances involved between each centre and also because of the fact that it may be difficult to find enough people interested in administering this sport we may have to consider appointing different associations as sub committees to administer certain areas.

In the long term there are several points which we could perhaps start thinking of in the near future they could perhaps include:-

1. The possibility of employing a full time administrator of Volleyball in Country Victoria with the aid of the Department of Youth, Sport and Recreation.
2. The possibility of establishing a Volleyball magazine similar to the one produced by the Bendigo Association, but covering the whole of country Victoria.
3. The formation of Victorian Country Volleyball Squads to participate in Australian Championships, interstate competition etc.
4. The regionalization of volleyball within country Victoria.
5. The production of a complete calender showing dates and venues of all tournaments and the dates and times of all finals in each association etc.
6. Grading of referees to handle country championship matches, Association finals, tournament finals and to improve the general standard of referees.

On present indication the work of the council has just began and our future successes rely on the help we will have to receive from each individual association. I would finally like to thank all those people who have assisted and co-operated with me over the past year especially Murray Mansfield because without his help and advice I would not have been able to manage.

When I first took the position as Secretary of this council, I did not realize the enormous amount of work involved or the scope of responsibilities which it entailed however, I have now obtained some idea of the work of a Secretary and I hope that my services may be of assistance in the coming year.


Daniel H. WATSON
Secretary V.C.V.C. 75/76.

VICTORIAN COUNTRY VOLLEYBALL COUNCIL.

Minutes of General Meeting held at Ballarat on 11/9/76.

MEETING OPENED - 10.05 pm. by the President, Mr. R. KENTER.

PRESENT: J. SOPPE (L.V.) A. WILLIAMS (G.V.) J. MAMONE (G.V.) K. BROOKS(WARR)
R. KENTER(L.V.) J. DEWAR (BALL) M. BROMLEY(BALL) A. LOWE (WARR)
M. MANSFIELD(BGO) B. CAREY(GEEL) D. WATSON (BGO)

APOLOGIES: B. FRASER(GEEL) T. KENNEDY(S.H) W. GULONG (V.A.V.A.)

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary.

Moved that they be accepted as read. B. CAREY. Seconded J. SOPPE. CARRIED.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

1. The position regarding the Echuca Volleyball Association was discussed. As nothing further has been heard from them, and as it appears that they are not yet in a strong enough position to join the V.C.V.C. it was resolved that no further action be taken at this stage.
2. The position regarding the Mr. Gambier Volleyball Association was clarified by A. Lowe. After discussion it was decided that the matter be left in the hands of the Secretary to follow up.
3. The position regarding the Horsham Volleyball Associations was also clarified by A. Lowe. He will keep in contact with them, and Warrnambool will assist them where possible.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. The Goulburn Valley Volleyball Association application to become a member Association of the V.C.V.C. was tabled. After discussion M. Mansfield moved that the Goulburn Valley Volleyball Association be accepted as a member association of the V.C.V.C. Seconded K. KENTER. CARRIED.
2. A questionnaire received from the Department of Youth, Sport & Recreation was tabled and although it was received after the deadline for return it was decided that the Secretary should complete it and return it to the department as soon as possible.
3. Correspondence regarding the availability of new Volleyball rule books was discussed. M. Bromley moved that 100 copies of these be purchased by the V.C.V.C. and that each Association purchase their rule books through us.
4. After discussion relating to non reply to correspondence forwarded to V.A.V.A. by the Ballarat Volleyball Association. M. MANSFIELD moved that the Secretary write to V.A.V.A. and point out that this should give urgent consideration to Ballarat's request for coaching and referees clinics. Seconded. M. BROMLEY. CARRIED.
5. Minutes of previous V.A.V.A. meetings were read and discussed. Secretary to follow up and try to obtain a copy of the Treasurer report.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Tournament dated to 1976/77 were discussed and the following tentative dates arranged:
OCTOBER: BENDIGO
NOVEMBER: GOULBURN VALLEY
DECEMBER: LATROBE VALLEY
JANUARY: Nil (Wallabies Tournament RUSDEN)
FEBRUARY: GEELONG
MARCH: WARRENAMBOOL
JUNE: COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS - GEELONG
JULY: WANGARATTA.

2. Discontent regarding V.A.V.A's distribution of Olympic Appeal biros -- similar fund raising methods was aired. It was resolved that the V.A.V.A delegate discuss this matter at the next V.A.V.A. meeting.

3. Goulburn Valley Volleyball Association put forward their proposals for their forthcoming tournament and several points were discussed and advice given.

4. B. CAREY moved that the provision of equipment etc., by commercial firms to clubs be approved by the V.C.V.C. for implementation in all country Associations.
Seconded. D. WATSON. CARRIED.

5. The possible formation of a country squad beginning with the Under 17 championships was discussed and several points were brought forth.

6. The possibility of state squads training in country centres in order for state coaches to be able to assess the ability of local players was discussed at some length and it was decided to continue discussion at a later date.

Being no further business the President R. KENTER declared the meeting closed at 12.00 midnight.