

Report on VCVC U17 Country Championships.

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The draw and associated conditions were forwarded to each Association by mail, at least a fortnight prior to the Championships. This proved to be a suitable period of time for such notice.

The Bendigo Association were fortunate enough to obtain a substantial donation from the local Coca - Cola branch and this was the reason for free admission to all people attending the Championships. This also allowed the provision of good trophies to each individual player and coach in both the Champion and Runner - up teams in both sections.

A programme was prepared by the Bendigo Association, with details of each teams colours, players names, numbers ( where possible ), Captains and coaches. A full copy of the draw and a match results page was also included.

Sufficient copies of this programme were given to each coach/manager for distribution team members.

All teams were required to register their players prior to their opening match. These names were checked against the VCVC player registration roll to verify the eligibility of each individual to compete, those names not on the official rolls were verified by officials from their Associations. No discrepancies were found.

On each Entry form a section called for the nomination of referees, independent of the players, to officiate at these Championships.

A referees draw was made and distributed to all referees prior to the match they were to officiate at initially.

This draw was followed successfully for the 1st day matches and would have continued but for the fact that the State Director of Coaching convened a special Referees Meeting at the conclusion of the Friday night matches.

All referees had prior knowledge of this Meeting and a good representation attended the Meeting, they being as follows :-

Joe Rosso,	Henry Gumienik	Geelong.	Murray Mansfield,	Tom Stevens	Bendigo,
Ken Brooks	Warrnambool,	Terry Knox	Latrobe Valley,	Bill Youl	Seymour.

A number of matters came under discussion, involving rule interpretations, these were clarified by the State Director of Coaching and became standard for these Championships. An 'ad hoc' referees roster was hastily prepared for the remaining matches from the people present and including Heather Wells from Geelong.

Each referee was to control at least 2 matches and also to score using International scoresheets, another 2 matches. The State Director of Coaching was to view each referee and provide a verbal resume of the refereeing standard at the conclusion of each match. The scoresheets were also vetted and corrected by the State Director.

The referees were asked to wear whites if possible, to give an official look to each match. This proved to be difficult for the visiting referees but was followed as closely as practicable.

A high standard of refereeing was obtained and all referees obtained valuable experience, a small core of State referee candidates has also been formed which must result in better control of matches throughout Country Centres.

The Championships commenced at 12 Noon on Fri 25th Apr. and the time table was such that most matches were completed far in advance of each ensuing match.

All Duty teams proved to be competent and with one small exception late on the Saturday night, prompt and attentive.

Team uniforms were as stated and again with one small exception involving a reminder as to the colour of socks complied with almost unanimously.

The only incident involving possible serious injury to a player occurred during the ~~1st~~ 2nd set of the opening match on the Friday. A Goulburn Valley player attempting to play a ball close to the referees stand ran headlong into the top bar of the stand. Play was halted for several minutes while the player was attended to with cold compresses on an injured nose, he was subsequently transported to the local hospital for treatment and fortunately was able to resume as a player later in the day. The Goulburn Valley team having no reserves was permitted to continue in the Championships with only 5 players, until the return of the injured player. This procedure, while not being strictly International procedure, was allowed in the interests of the other team members, under a local Association rule.

As expected a wide variation was evident in the standard of the various matches. The Bendigo Boys team proved to be far in advance of any other team and easily qualified as the top team. The other teams in the Boys section were of a much more even standard and most matches were keenly contested, special mention must be made of the Seymour team, playing in their first Championships, they acquitted themselves very well and with a little more experience may have been able to edge Geelong out of 2nd position.

The Girls section was closer, and consequently a number of exciting games were witnessed.

All results and scores are included in the attachments to this Report.

The finals on the Sunday did not conform to the schedule because of the length of the 1st three matches, it was gratifying to see that a large majority of the teams delayed their departure until after the conclusion of the presentations. This gave the teams in the finals a responsive chord and they demonstrated their skills accordingly.

The services provided by the Bendigo Association were of a generally high standard. A local club provided a canteen service most efficiently, and the kiosk was also well supported.

The computer link video screen provided an almost instant assessment of each team's standings after each match and this proved to be a focal point of considerable interest for all team members and officials.

International scoresheets were used for all matches.

Rotation sheets were available for each set, and team listing sheets were also provided to aid the scorer.

Manual scoreboards were operated by the duty teams and allowed spectators and participants to be familiar with the progress of each match.

The State Director of Coaching and the U17 State Coaches were invited to attend the Championships, view the matches and select Honorary U17 Victorian Country squads comprising 12 Girls and 12 Boys.

These squads were selected, although the U17 State Girls Coach was unable to be in attendance, except for a very brief time on the Sunday morning.

The players listed below were presented to an enthusiastic crowd immediately prior to the trophy presentations.

Girls		Boys	
✓ Jenny Mosley ✓	Latrobe Valley	✓ Greg Doyle	Bendigo
✓ Liz Davis ✓	" "	✓ Gary Roberts	"
✓ Susan Jones ✓	" "	✓ Brett Leahy	"
✓ Jo-Ann Bremner ✓	" "	✓ Kieran Byrne	"
✓ Rosalie Ervin ✓	Bendigo	✓ David Pollock	"
● Leonie Arthur ✓	"	✓ Nick Khalkoven	Geelong
✓ Jane Mangan ✓	"	✓ Charlie Repcap	"
✓ Janice Wells ✓	"	✓ Peter Comte	Seymour
✓ Tania Dalton ✓	Warrnambool	✓ Bruce Coombe	"
✓ Natalie Petkovic ✓	Geelong	✓ Michael Beks	Warrnambool
✓ Carmen Rosso ✓	"	✓ Clinton Rodda	Latrobe Valley
✓ Doris Petrovic ✓	"	✓ Nick Goyen	Goulburn Valley

The presentations were made to the Champion teams and the Runners - Up teams.

A representative from Coca - Cola presented the Girls trophies.

The VCVC President Malcolm Darby presented the Boys trophies.

The VAVA Secretary Murray Mansfield presented the Perpetual shields.

A disappointing feature of the trophy presentations was the poor P.A. system which made it difficult for spectators to hear the speeches, also an insufficient No. of trophies were available for presentation and it must have been a let down for those players who received only a handshake.

Trophies have been purchased to forward on to these people and in addition the Coaches will receive a similar trophy.

#### Recommendations.

1. Host Associations conducting similar Championships should have a telephone available, with a list of emergency No.s ( including an available Doctor ) prominently displayed.
2. If independant referees are available, a briefing course should take place prior to the commencement of the matches if possible, but certainly at some time during the Championships.

Recommendations Cont.

3. Selected squad members should receive some form of material recognition for their efforts, possibly a shoulder flash or track suit badge would be appropriate.
4. All Under age Championship competitors should receive a memento of their participation, either a screen printed pennant or track suit badge.

Conclusion.

In my opinion, I consider the Bendigo Association to have conducted these Championships in an efficient and orderly manner, resulting in an excellent Tournament for all. It is my pleasure to submit this report and associated attachments for your perusal and approval. ( My apologies for the typing errors ).

Tom Stevens  
Tournament Co-ordinator.

U17 VCVC Championships 1980, Results.

Girls Matches.

Bendigo defeated Latrobe Valley 3 - 1, 15 - 9, 4 - 15, 15 - 8, 15 - 9.  
 Geelong 3 - 1, 13 - 15, 17 - 15, 15 - 5, 15 - 6.  
 Warrnambool 3 - 0, 15 - 10, 15 - 4, 15 - 3.  
 Goulburn Valley 3 - 0, 15 - 2, 15 - 1, 15 - 1.

Latrobe Valley defeated Geelong 3 - 0, 15 - 0, 15 - 10, 15 - 13.  
 Warrnambool 3 - 0, 15 - 12, 15 - 5, 15 - 9.  
 Goulburn Valley 3 - 0, 15 - 0, 15 - 5, 15 - 7.

Geelong defeated Warrnambool 3 - 0, 15 - 5, 16 - 14, 15 - 4.  
 Goulburn Valley 3 - 0, 15 - 5, 15 - 10, 15 - 3.

Warrnambool defeated Goulburn Valley 3 - 1, 15 - 5, 15 - 4, 8 - 15, 15 - 8.

Championship Ladder prior to Finals.

Team	Wins	Losses	Pts For	Pts Agst	Percentage	Pts
Bendigo	4	0	199	103	193.2%	12
Latrobe Valley	3	1	176	110	160 %	10
Geelong	2	2	155	146	106.1%	8
Warrnambool	1	3	119	168	70.8%	6
Goulburn Valley	0	4	66	188	35.1%	4

Match to decide 3rd and 4th Positions.

Geelong defeated Warrnambool 3 - 0, 15 - 6, 15 - 11, 15 - 7.

Grand Final to decide Girls U17 Champion Team 1980.

Latrobe Valley defeated Bendigo 3 - 1, 15 - 10, 10 - 15, 15 - 13, 16 - 14.

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Boys Matches.

Bendigo	defeated	Geelong	3 - 0, 15 - 3, 15 - 2, 15 - 7.
		Seymour	3 - 0, 15 - 2, 15 - 9, 15 - 13.
		Warrnambool	3 - 0, 15 - 4, 15 - 1, 15 - 7.
		Lat. Valley	3 - 0, 15 - 10, 15 - 2, 15 - 7.
		Goul. Valley	3 - 0, 15 - 2, 15 - 0, 15 - 1.
Geelong	defeated	Seymour	3 - 0, 15 - 9, 21 - 19, 15 - 8.
		Warrnambool	3 - 0, 15 - 8, 15 - 4, 15 - 11.
		Lat. Valley	3 - 0, 15 - 1, 15 - 4, 15 - 4.
		Goul. Valley	3 - 0, 15 - 1, 15 - 5, 15 - 12.
Seymour	defeated	Warrnambool	3 - 2, 10 - 15, 15 - 9, 16 - 14, 12 - 15, 15 - 13.
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Championship Ladder prior to Finals.

Team	Wins	Losses	Pts For	Pts Agst	%age	Pts
Bendigo	5	0	225	70	321.4	15
Geelong	4	1	198	131	151.1	13
Seymour	3	2	218	198	110.1	11
Warrnambool	2	3	225	258	87.2	9
Latrobe Valley	1	4	163	238	68.4	7
Goulburn Valley	0	5	112	246	45.5	5

Match to decide 3rd and 4th Positions.

Seymour defeated Warrnambool 3 - 2, 15 - 17, 7 - 15, 15 - 9, 15 - 1, 15 - 7.

Grand Final to decide Boys U17 Champion Team 1980.

Bendigo defeated Geelong 3 - 0, 15 - 9, 15 - 4, 15 - 11.

U17 V.C.V.C. COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS 1980  
FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Income.

Sponsorship Coca - Cola.	\$250.00
Entry Fees from V.C.V.C.	<u>\$220.00</u>
<u>Total.</u>	\$470.00

Expenditure.

Trophies & Engraving	\$212.00
Stadium Hire	\$185.00
Programme	\$ 55.00
Volleyballs 1 @ 10%	\$ 3.00
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Turnbuckles	\$ 16.00
Scoreboards	\$ 26.00
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VICTORIAN COUNTRY VOLLEYBALL COUNCIL

1980 U17 COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

BENDIGO 25th, 26th & 27th APR.

All participating Associations.

Please find enclosed a copy of the Tournament draw and conditions of play.

The draw has been made on an even and fair basis as possible under the limitations imposed by local conditions.

Points considered when making the draw.

1. Travelling time for teams.
2. Stadium availability.
3. "Best" matches to be played at "best" spectator times wherever possible.
4. No team to play 2 consecutive matches.
5. Duty teams arranged to do duty after their match in most cases.
6. Teams from 1 Association not to play at the same time.
7. Matches scheduled at 80minute intervals with a 5minute change over time. If a match runs over time it is hoped that the time will be made up during the next match.

Warm up balls.

No warm up balls will be provided by the Bendigo Association, it is each individual Associations responsibility to supply and take care of their own Volleyballs.

Arens Managers.

An arens Manager will be on duty at all times during the Championships. He/she is the sole person in charge of the tournament at that time. Responsibilities include starting times of matches, recording of results, all equipment, and the application of penalties as specified in the Tournament conditions.

Any and all requests and appeals must be directed to this person who may rule on the matter immediately or refer it to an adjudication panel.

General.

Tournament programmes are being produced, which will include the entire draw plus other information. Sufficient copies will be on hand for each team to be distributed by the team manager/coach after arrival and registration of team on official form.

No admission fee will be charged and the programmes are also 'gratis'.

The BYVA kiosk will be in operation to dispense drinks and sweets and a canteen service will be run by a local volleyball club.

All teams are asked to remain for the Finals and presentations as this is part and parcel of the Championships.

Referees draws will be available for each referee from the Arena Manager.

Any further enquiries should be directed to Tom Stevens 13 Black St Bendigo 3550

Telephone No. Home 054 421010 Work 054 420786 (Free call)

Victorian Country Volleyball Council

1980 U17 Country Championships

Tournament Conditions

Player Eligibility:-

All Players must be registered as per the VCVC Registration listing, as at the time of the Championships.

All teams will be required to complete a registration form prior to their 1st game of the tournament, listing their complete team members and coaches. Players not listed will be ineligible to compete. If an unlisted player takes the court during the course of any match at the tournament, then the match will be forfeited.

Uniforms:-

Any player taking the court out of uniform will not be permitted to play. Uniforms will be as nominated on the team entry form and includes shirts, shorts and socks.

N.B. Socks may have bands, but the main visible portion of the sock must be the colour nominated on the entry form.

Playing rules:-

International Volleyball Rules as published by the AVF during 1979, shall apply, unless local rule stipulated in these Tournament conditions becomes an over riding factor.

Late teams:-

Teams late for matches will be penalised as follows:-

- \* The 1st set will be forfeited 15-0, if a team is not ready to take the court 5 mins after a referee has called teams onto the court to commence play.
- \* The match will be forfeited 15-0, 15-0, 15-0, if team is not ready to take the court 10 mins after a referee has called teams onto the court to commence play.

The exceptions to the above are that no play is to commence before the appointed starting time, and no penalties will apply if players were involved in an immediately prior match that exceeded the specified time period.

Duty teams:-

Rostered duty teams must supply the following:-

- 1 scorer, capable of scoring on an International score sheet.
- 1 net umpire, with whistle.
- 2 lineamen.
- Score board operator is optional.

Duty teams may be penalised, at the discretion of the referee and/or the arena manager for failing to carry out their specified duties, and for failing to be in attendance when a referee calls the teams onto the court to commence play.

- \* A deduction of 1 championship point for each late duty member to a max. of 4 points.
- \* A deduction of 1 championship point for each major duty failure to a max. of 3 points.

The exceptions are as listed under Late teams.

Championship points:-

Points will be allocated on the basis of:- Win = 3, Loss = 1, Forfeit = 0.

Teams finishing in 1st and 2nd position on the Championship ladder prior to the Finals will compete in a Grand Final to determine the Country Champion team.

If teams finish with the same number of Championship points prior to the Finals, then the game points scored on the basis of for and against and calculated as a % age will be used to determine the Championship ladder standings.

Local rule:-

Immediately a ball from an adjacent court enters the playing area, play will be stopped and a replay of that particular point will take place. Indication of stray balls as above may be made to the referee by the officiating duty team members.

Adjudication panel:-

If an adjudication panel needs to be convened for any reason it will include any 4 of the following, such that none are related to the parties in dispute.

It is the Arena managers responsibility to convene such a panel and he/she will chair the panel or nominate a chairman.

M.Darby, VCVC President, M.Mansfield VCVC Treasurer, T.Stevens Tournament organiser,  
J.DeVries L.V. Secretary, W.Youl Seymour Secretary, K.Brooks VCVC Delegate W'bool,  
H.Gusienik VCVC Delegate Geelong, B.Croxier G.V. Official.

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REFEREE CLINIC AND STATE GRADING

The V.A.V.A. Referee Commission have agreed to conduct a referee clinic and grading in conjunction with the 1980 U17 Country Championships. The clinic will be conducted by the Victorian State Director of Coaching, Mr Tomas Santamaria, and is scheduled for Friday 25th April, at 8.00 pm, in the Committee room of the Bendigo Y.M.C.A. Stadium.

The clinic is primarily open to all rostered referees for these Championships, and you are hereby invited to attend. Those referees who request to be graded, will be viewed during the course of the Championships, and a grading will be awarded at the completion of the event.

There are three possible gradings:

STATE A - Referees who are of a sufficient standard to qualify for entry into the National Candidate category. A National Candidate is eligible to officiate at National Championships and may progress to National Referee status.

STATE B - Referees who are of sufficient standard to officiate in matches at State Championship level, including Melbourne Volleyball Association A grade standard.

STATE C - Referees who are of sufficient standard to officiate in matches at any affiliated Victorian Association.

It is proposed that appropriate badges will be presented to each qualified referee, in recognition of the standard attained.

This clinic and grading is a trial run, and if successful, will most likely be included in future Country Championships for the benefit of any country referee who is desirous of obtaining a qualification.

U17 Victorian Country Volleyball Championships

Referee's Roster.

Fri	Teams	Duty	Referee	Teams	Duty	Referee
12N	G.V. v SEY	BGO	T.Knox	L.V. v GLG	BGO	M.Mansfield
1.25	L.V. v GLG	G.V.	W.Youl	BGO v WAR	G.V.	H.Wells
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Your attention is directed to the Tournament Conditions for this Championship, you must make yourself familiar with these particulars before refereeing a match.

This roster has been drawn up to ensure that a Duty team does not have a referee from their own Association in charge of them, Duty should therefore be performed in an exemplary manner at all times.

If you are unable to referee a match at the allocated time it is YOUR responsibility to advise the Arena Manager immediately.

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The draw and associated conditions were forwarded to each Association by mail, at least a fortnight prior to the Championships. This proved to be a suitable period of time for such notice.

The Bendigo Association were fortunate enough to obtain a substantial donation from the local Coca - Cola branch and this was the reason for free admission to all people attending the Championships. This also allowed the provision of good trophies to each individual player and coach in both the Champion and Runner - up teams in both sections.

A programme was prepared by the Bendigo Association, with details of each teams colours, players names, numbers (where possible), Captains and coaches. A full copy of the draw and a match results page was also included.

Sufficient copies of this programme were given to each coach/manager for distribution

All teams were required to register their players prior to their opening match. These names were checked against the VCVG player registration roll to verify the eligibility of each individual to compete, those names not on the official rolls were verified by officials from their Associations. No discrepancies were found.

On each Entry form a section called for the nomination of referees, independent of the players, to officiate at these Championships.

A referees draw was made and distributed to all referees prior to the match they were to officiate at initially.

This draw was followed successfully for the 1st day matches and would have continued but for the fact that the State Director of Coaching convened a special Referees Meeting at the conclusion of the Friday night matches.

All referees had prior knowledge of this Meeting and a good representation attended the Meeting, they being as follows :-

Joe Rosso, Henry Gumienik      Geelong.      Murray Mansfield, Tom Stevens      Bendigo,  
Ken Brooks      Warrnambool,      Terry Knox      Latrobe Valley,      Bill Youl      Seymour.

A number of matters came under discussion, involving rule interpretations, these were clarified by the State Director of Coaching and became standard for these Championships. An 'ad hoc' referees roster was hastily prepared for the remaining matches from the people present and including Heather Wells from Geelong.

Each referee was to control at least 2 matches and also to score using International scoresheets, another 2 matches. The State Director of Coaching was to view each referee and provide a verbal resume of the refereeing standard at the conclusion of each match. The scoresheets were also vetted and corrected by the State Director.

The referees were asked to wear whites if possible, to give an official look to each match. This proved to be difficult for the visiting referees but was followed as closely as practicable.

A high standard of refereeing was obtained and all referees obtained valuable experience, a small core of State referee candidates has also been formed which must result in better control of matches throughout Country Centres.

The Championships commenced at 12 Noon on Fri 25th Apr. and the time table was such that most matches were completed far in advance of each ensuing match.

All Duty teams proved to be competent and with one small exception late on the Saturday night, prompt and attentive.

Team uniforms were as stated and again with one small exception involving a reminder as to the colour of socks complied with almost unanimously.

The only incident involving possible serious injury to a player occurred during the 2nd set of the opening match on the Friday. A Goulburn Valley player attempting to play a ball close to the referees stand ran headlong into the top bar of the stand. Play was halted for several minutes while the player was attended to with cold compresses on an injured nose, he was subsequently transported to the local hospital for treatment and fortunately was able to resume as a player later in the day. The Goulburn Valley team having no reserves was permitted to continue in the Championships with only 5 players, until the return of the injured player. This procedure, while not being strictly International procedure, was allowed in the interests of the other team members, under a local Association rule.

As expected a wide variation was evident in the standard of the various matches. The Bendigo Boys team proved to be far in advance of any other team and easily qualified as the top team. The other teams in the Boys section were of a much more even standard and most matches were keenly contested, special mention must be made of the Seymour team, playing in their first Championships, they acquitted themselves very well and with a little more experience may have been able to edge Geelong out of 2nd position.

The Girls section was closer, and consequently a number of exciting games were witnessed.

All results and scores are included in the attachments to this Report.

The finals on the Sunday did not conform to the schedule because of the length of the first three matches, it was gratifying to see that a large majority of the teams delayed their departure until after the conclusion of the presentations. This gave the teams in the finals a responsive chord and they demonstrated their skills accordingly.

The services provided by the Bendigo Association were of a generally high standard. A local club provided a canteen service most efficiently, and the kiosk was also well supported.

The computer link video screen provided an almost instant assessment of each team's standings after each match and this proved to be a focal point of considerable interest for all team members and officials.

International scoresheets were used for all matches.

Rotation sheets were available for each set, and team listing sheets were also provided to aid the scorers.

Manual scoreboards were operated by the duty teams and allowed spectators and participants to be familiar with the progress of each match.

The State Director of Coaching and the U17 State Coaches were invited to attend the Championships, view the matches and select Honorary U17 Victorian Country squads comprising 12 Girls and 12 Boys.

These squads were selected, although the U17 State Girls Coach was unable to be in attendance, except for a very brief time on the Sunday morning.

The players listed below were presented to an enthusiastic crowd immediately prior to the trophy presentations.

Girls		Boys	
Jenny Mozley	Lalrobe Valley	Greg Doyle	Dondigo
Liz Davis	" "	Gary Roberts	"
Susan Jones	" "	Brett Leahy	"
Jo-Ann Brenner	" "	Kieran Byrne	"
Rosalie Ervin	Dondigo	David Pollock	"
Leonie Arthur	"	Nick Kalkoven	Geelong
Jane Mangan	"	Charlie Hepcap	"
Janice Wells	"	Peter Goute	Seymour
Tania Dalton	Warrnambool	Bruce Coombs	"
Natalie Petkovic	Geelong	Michael Baks	Warrnambool
Carmen Rosso	"	Clinton Redda	Lalrobe Valley
Doris Petrovic	"	Nick Goyen	Goulburn Valley

The presentations were made to the Champion teams and the Runners - Up teams.

A representative from Coca - Cola presented the Girls trophies.

The VCVC President Malcolm Darby presented the Boys trophies.

The VAVA Secretary Murray Mansfield presented the Perpetual shields.

A disappointing feature of the trophy presentations was the poor P.A. system which made it difficult for spectators to hear the speeches, also an insufficient No. of trophies were available for presentation and it must have been a let down for those players who received only a handshake.

Trophies have been purchased to forward on to these people and in addition the Coaches will receive a similar trophy.

#### Recommendations.

1. Host Associations conducting similar Championships should have a telephone available, with a list of emergency No.s ( including an available Doctor ) prominently displayed.
2. If independant referees are available, a briefing course should take place prior to the commencement of the matches if possible, but certainly at some time during the Championships.

Recommendations Cont.

3. Selected squad members should receive some form of material recognition for their efforts, possibly a shoulder flash or track suit badge would be appropriate.
4. All Under age Championship competitors should receive a memento of their participation, either a screen printed pennant or track suit badge.

Conclusion.

In my opinion, I consider the Bendigo Association to have conducted these Championships in an efficient and orderly manner, resulting in an excellent Tournament for all. It is my pleasure to submit this report and associated attachments for your perusal and approval. ( My apologies for the typing errors ).

Tom Stevens  
Tournament Co-ordinator.

U17 VCVC Championships 1980, Results.

Girls Matches.

Bendigo defeated Latrobe Valley 3 - 1, 15 - 9, 4 - 15, 15 - 8, 15 - 9.  
 Geelong 3 - 1, 13 - 15, 17 - 15, 15 - 5, 15 - 6.  
 Warrnambool 3 - 0, 15 - 10, 15 - 4, 15 - 3.  
 Goulburn Valley 3 - 0, 15 - 2, 15 - 1, 15 - 1.

Latrobe Valley defeated Geelong 3 - 0, 15 - 0, 15 - 10, 15 - 13.  
 Warrnambool 3 - 0, 15 - 12, 15 - 5, 15 - 9.  
 Goulburn Valley 3 - 0, 15 - 0, 15 - 5, 15 - 7.

Geelong defeated Warrnambool 3 - 0, 15 - 5, 16 - 14, 15 - 4.  
 Goulburn Valley 3 - 0, 15 - 5, 15 - 10, 15 - 3.

Warrnambool defeated Goulburn Valley 3 - 1, 15 - 5, 15 - 4, 8 - 15, 15 - 8.

Championship Ladder prior to Finals.

Team	Wins	Losses	Pts For	Pts Agst	Percentage	Pts
Bendigo	4	0	199	103	193.2%	12
Latrobe Valley	3	1	176	110	160.9%	10
Geelong	2	2	155	146	106.1%	8
Warrnambool	1	3	119	168	70.8%	6
Goulburn Valley	0	4	66	188	35.1%	4

Match to decide 3rd and 4th Positions.

Geelong defeated Warrnambool 3 - 0, 15 - 6, 15 - 11, 15 - 7.

Grand Final to decide Girls U17 Champion Team 1980.

Latrobe Valley defeated Bendigo 3 - 1, 15 - 10, 10 - 15, 15 - 13, 16 - 14.

U17 VCVC Championships 1980, Results.

Boys Matches.

Bendigo	defeated	Geelong	3 - 0, 15 - 3, 15 - 2, 15 - 7.
		Seymour	3 - 0, 15 - 2, 15 - 9, 15 - 13.
		Warrnambool	3 - 0, 15 - 4, 15 - 1, 15 - 7.
		Lat. Valley	3 - 0, 15 - 10, 15 - 2, 15 - 7.
		Goul. Valley	3 - 0, 15 - 2, 15 - 0, 15 - 1.
Geelong	defeated	Seymour	3 - 0, 15 - 9, 21 - 19, 15 - 8.
		Warrnambool	3 - 0, 15 - 8, 15 - 4, 15 - 11.
		Lat. Valley	3 - 0, 15 - 1, 15 - 4, 15 - 4.
		Goul. Valley	3 - 0, 15 - 1, 15 - 5, 15 - 12.
Seymour	defeated	Warrnambool	3 - 2, 10 - 15, 15 - 9, 16 - 14, 12 - 15, 15 - 13.
		Lat. Valley	3 - 0, 15 - 3, 15 - 10, 15 - 10.
		Goul. Valley	3 - 0, 15 - 2, 15 - 4, 15 - 7.
Warrnambool	defeated	Lat. Valley	3 - 2, 11 - 15, 15 - 6, 9 - 15, 15 - 9, 16 - 14.
		Goul. Valley	3 - 1, 15 - 10, 15 - 10, 13 - 15, 15 - 6.
Lat. Valley	defeated	Goul. Valley	3 - 1, 8 - 15, 15 - 8, 15 - 5, 15 - 9.

Championship Ladder prior to Finals.

Team	Wins	Losses	Pts For	Pts Agst	%age	Pts
Bendigo	5	0	225	70	321.4	15
Geelong	4	1	198	131	151.1	13
Seymour	3	2	218	198	110.1	11
Warrnambool	2	3	225	258	87.2	9
Latrobe Valley	1	4	163	238	68.4	7
Goulburn Valley	0	5	112	246	45.5	5

Match to decide 3rd and 4th Positions.

Seymour defeated Warrnambool 3 - 2, 15 - 17, 7 - 15, 15 - 9, 15 - 1, 15 - 7.

Grand Final to decide Boys U17 Champion Team 1980.

Bendigo defeated Geelong 3 - 0, 15 - 9, 15 - 4, 15 - 11.

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Mr.M.Mansfield  
Secretary VAVA  
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Bendigo. 3550

34 Junier Street  
Morwell. 3840

Dear Murray,

On behalf of the VCVC can you please forward invitations to; The State Director of Coaching, and the respective Coaches of the Victorian State Mens and Womens Under 17 Teams.

The invitations are for these people to attend the forthcoming Victorian Country Volleyball Championships to be held at Bendigo during the Anzac weekend in April, the 25th, 26th and 27th. If the invitations are accepted we would like these people to form a panel to select the 12 best players from both the Mens and Womens matches played over the weekend.

The names of the players selected would be announced at the conclusion of the Championships.

It would be appreciated if you could advise me of the acceptance or rebuttal of the above.

Yours in Volleyball,

Malcolm Darby  
VCVC President

All participating Associations.

Please find enclosed a copy of the Tournament draw and conditions of play.

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Points considered when making the draw.

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6. Teams from 1 Association not to play at the same time.
7. Matches scheduled at 30minute intervals with a 5minute change over time. If a match runs over time it is hoped that the time will be made up during the next match.

Warm up balls.

No warm up balls will be provided by the Bendigo Association, it is each individual Associations responsibility to supply and take care of their own Volleyballs.

Arena Managers.

An arena Manager will be on duty at all times during the Championships. He/she is the sole person in charge of the tournament at that time. Responsibilities include starting times of matches, recording of results, all equipment, and the application of penalties as specified in the Tournament conditions.

Any and all requests and appeals must be directed to this person who may rule on the matter immediately or refer it to an adjudication panel.

General.

Tournament programmes are being produced, which will include the entire draw plus other information. Sufficient copies will be on hand for each team to be distributed by the team manager/coach after arrival and registration of team on official form.

No admission fee will be charged and the programmes are also 'gratis'.

The BYVA kiosk will be in operation to dispense drinks and sweets and a canteen service will be run by a local volleyball club.

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1980 U17 Country Championships

Tournament Conditions

Player Eligibility:-

All Players must be registered as per the VCVC Registration listing, as at the time of the Championships.

All teams will be required to complete a registration form prior to their 1st game of the tournament, listing their complete team members and coaches. Players not listed will be ineligible to compete. If an unlisted player takes the court during the course of any match at the tournament, then the match will be forfeited.

Uniforms:-

Any player taking the court out of uniform will not be permitted to play. Uniforms will be as nominated on the team entry form and includes shirts, shorts and socks.

N.B. Socks may have bands, but the main visible portion of the sock must be the colour nominated on the entry form.

Playing rules:-

International Volleyball Rules as published by the AVF during 1979, shall apply, unless a local rule stipulated in these Tournament conditions becomes an over riding factor.

Late teams:-

Teams late for matches will be penalised as follows:-

- \* The 1st set will be forfeited 15-0, if a team is not ready to take the court 5 mins after a referee has called teams onto the court to commence play.
- \* The match will be forfeited 15-0, 15-0, 15-0, if team is not ready to take the court 10 mins after a referee has called teams onto the court to commence play.

The exceptions to the above are that no play is to commence before the appointed starting time, and no penalties will apply if players were involved in an immediately prior match that exceeded the specified time period.

Duty teams:-

Rostered duty teams must supply the following:-

- 1 scorer, capable of scoring on an International score sheet.
- 1 umpire, with whistle.                      2 linesmen.                      Score board operator is optional.

Duty teams may be penalised, at the discretion of the referee and/or the arena manager for failing to carry out their specified duties, and for failing to be in attendance when a referee calls the teams onto the court to commence play.

- \* A deduction of 1 championship point for each late duty member to a max. of 4 points.
- \* A deduction of 1 championship point for each major duty failure to a max. of 3 points.

The exceptions are as listed under Late teams.

Championship points:-

Points will be allocated on the basis of:- Win = 3, Loss = 1, Forfeit = 0.

Teams finishing in 1st and 2nd position on the Championship ladder prior to the Finals will compete in a Grand Final to determine the Country Champion team.

If teams finish with the same number of Championship points prior to the Finals, then the game points scored on the basis of for and against and calculated as a % age will be used to determine the Championship ladder standings.

VICTORIAN COUNTRY VOLLEYBALL COUNCIL

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