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VICTORIAN COUNTRY VOLLEYBALL REGIONALISATION REPORT No.1

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Copies sent to all members of V.C.V.C. working party for Regionalisation and all affiliated Association Secretaries.

INTRODUCTION

This report concerns the proposed division of the State of Victoria into distinct regions for the purposes of governing country Volleyball

The regionalisation proposal arises out of a motion passed at the 1981 V.C.V.C. Conference. October 10-11 1981.

This motion reads:-

A small working party is to be established to compose a discussion paper for circulation on regionalisation, and its implications; and to report back to V.C.V.C. in early 1982.

The working party established to organize the report was

Bob Rowe	(V.A.V.A. State Director)
Malcolm Darby	(V.C.V.C. President)
Terry Clough	(G.A.V.A.)
Ron Eastwood	(H.A.V.A.)
Jim Lavry	(Ballarat A.V.A.)

FIRST COMMITTEE MEETING

On the 7th November 1981 the following members met at Shepparton.

Bob Rowe	(State Director)
Terry Clough	(G.A.V.A.)
Jim Lavry	(Ballarat)
Murray Mansfield	(V.C.V.C. Executive/Bendigo)
Malcolm Qualtrough	(V.C.V.C. Executive/L.V.V.A.)

Written ideas were tabled by Malcolm Darby (Apology) and Ron Eastwood (Apology).

The members present pooled all ideas, and although some ideas differed greatly the main themes were extracted.

As such the working party recommends the following guidelines to Regionalisation. These guidelines can also be considered as consequent that will evolve when regionalisation is introduced.

We would like each Association to comment on each of the proposals in the space provided and return them to the President of the Council by the end of April.

These comments will allow the working party to reassess their ideas so that they can make firm proposals to the 1982 General Meeting in June.

COMMENTS ON THE CONSEQUENCES OF REGIONALISATION BY:-

The _____ Association/Working Party Member.

1. Regionalisation should improve communication from the country association to the V.A.V.A., and vice versa.

WHY ? COMMUNICATIONS AT THIS TIME, ESPECIALLY WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR APPEAR TO BE VERY GOOD.

2. Regionalisation should not interfere with existing competitions and tournaments.

REGIONALISATION NEED NOT AFFECT EXISTING LOCAL COMPETITIONS, HOWEVER TOURNAMENTS MAY BE REPLACED WITH ZONE FINALS OR ELIMINATION ROUNDS DIRECTED TOWARD OVERALL COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS.

3. Regionalisation could require a large number of administrators depending on how the committee of the V.C.V.C. is set up.

THE VCVC COMMITTEE SHOULD BE KEPT TO A WORKABLE SIZE, BIG IS NOT ALWAYS BEST.

A LARGE ADMINISTRATION GROUP TENDS TO BOG DOWN THROUGH SHEER NUMBERS.

EACH REGION SHOULD HAVE A SMALL, FLEXIBLE WORKING COMMITTEE, WITH 1 OR 2 DELEGATES REPORTING TO THE VCVC

4. There may be a possibility of rotating association delegates to any meetings held by the regions.

THIS SHOULD ONLY BE NECESSARY IF THE REGION ASKS IN ADVANCE, OR IF THE VCVC CAN SEE THAT IT WOULD BE NECESSARY FROM TIME TO TIME, DEPENDING ON THE CIRCUMSTANCE.

5. Any courses run by the V.A.V.A. (Coaching, Refereeing etc.) could be better organized in regions.

YES AND MAY ALLOW A LARGER NO. OF PEOPLE ACCESS TO WHAT AT THE PRESENT TIME IS A VERY LIMITED SERVICE.

6. Any outstanding players from an association could perhaps benefit by playing with a stronger association in a region representative team.

WHAT PROPOSALS HAVE BEEN PRESENTED FOR REGIONAL REP. TEAMS?

SURELY THE PRIME OBJECTIVE IS TO MAKE HASTE SLOWLY, AT LEAST 2 OR 3 YEARS SHOULD BE A PERIOD OF CONSOLIDATION FOR THIS NEW ADVANCE IN COUNTRY, VOLLEYBALL, I.E. REGIONALISATION. BEFORE ANY OTHER MAJOR SCHEME IS BROUGHT INTO OPERATION.

7. The V.C.V.C. must be retained in its present format until regions stand on their own feet and administer themselves effectively.

THE VCVC MUST FOSTER REGIONALISATION UNTIL IT CAN BE SEEN THAT A NEW ~~GROUP~~ ^{BODY} IS REQUIRED TO ADMINISTER COUNTRY VOLLEYBALL.

THIS QUESTIONAIRE TELLS ME VERY LITTLE ABOUT THE REGIONALISATION CONCEPT, SURELY A MUCH MORE DETAILED PICTURE SHOULD HAVE BEEN SENT TO ALL ASSOCIATIONS BEFORE ASKING FOR ANY COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS.



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Please return these comments to the V.C.V.C. Secretary.

COMMENTS ON THE CONSEQUENCES OF REGIONALISATION BY:-

The SEYMOUR Association/Working Party Member.

Comments by Bill Youe PRESIDENT SAVA

1. Regionalisation should improve communication from the country association to the V.A.V.A., and vice versa.

Unless a very capable administration for the region was in power, I could see communication with V.A.V.A deteriorating not improving.

2. Regionalisation should not interfere with existing competitions and tournaments.

Regions would have to run their own regional tournaments to

- (i) Foster Volleyball in the region and try to improve standards in smaller associations.

- (ii) Select appropriate teams to represent the region at Country Championships etc.

State wide invitation tournaments should still exist to allow communication between regions.

3. Regionalisation could require a large number of administrators depending on how the committee of the V.C.V.C. is set up.

Each region would require an administrator to coordinate activities in the region. This would be a very big task and would require either funding or a very dedicated person or persons.

4. There may be a possibility of rotating association delegates to any meetings held by the regions.

I am not sure of the point of this statement.

Every regional meeting would require delegates from each association. Preferably these delegates should be part of the associations executive and should be constant for a 1 year period.

5. Any courses run by the V.A.V.A. (Coaching, Refereeing etc.) could be better organized in regions.

I agree. However venues for these clinics should be rotated around the region.

6. Any outstanding players from an association could perhaps benefit by playing with a stronger association in a region representative team.

True. But care must be taken to avoid that player being completely excluded from his/her own associations.

7. The V.C.V.C. must be retained in its present format until regions stand on their own feet and administer themselves effectively.

This is vital to ensure maintenance of constant high standards in every region.

Please return these comments to the V.C.V.C. Secretary.