



Victorian Amateur Volleyball Association

Affiliated with The Australian Volleyball Federation (Inc.)
and The Victorian Olympic Council.

TO: ALL VICTORIAN ASSOCIATIONS
FROM: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
SUBJECT: UNAFFILIATED ASSOCIATIONS
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At its October meeting the VAVA Executive Council considered the position of some 8 Associations (and possibly more) in this State who to date, have chosen not to affiliate with the VAVA.

When approached on the subject of registration these Associations claim that they would have little to gain, certainly not enough to warrant charging their senior players an additional \$6 per annum.

Their attitude is understandable when you consider the advantages they currently enjoy, e.g. supplies of AVF rule books and score sheets, refereeing assistance, participation in almost any tournament conducted in Victoria, and increased membership, largely as a result of the VAVA's work in popularising the sport throughout the State.

Obviously the "unaffiliated" are unlikely to change their attitude whilst our registered members - the people who make it all possible - are willing to financially support those who contribute nothing towards maintaining or developing the sport.

In the first of several steps planned to correct this situation the Executive Council has decided that unaffiliated bodies will no longer be permitted to enter teams in tournaments conducted by Associations or Clubs affiliated with the VAVA. Nor will affiliated Associations and Clubs be permitted to play in tournaments conducted by non affiliated bodies.

After January 1st 1982 any breach of this rule will invoke the following penalties :-

- (a) Permitting team/s from a non affiliated body to participate in a tournament - \$100 fine for every such team participating.
- (b) Playing in a tournament conducted by a body not affiliated with the VAVA or AVF - \$100 fine for every team entered.
- (c) In both instances the fine for subsequent offences to be \$200 per team.

If you are in doubt as to the status of any Association or Club we suggest you check with this office before entering a tournament or accepting nominations for your own.

Under very special and/or unique circumstances permission for an unaffiliated team to compete without penalty, may be sought from the VAVA who must receive the request, supported by appropriate reasons, at least one month prior to the commencement of the event.

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