

# 1979 VCVC COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS GOULBURN VALLEY

## A. ORGANIZATION

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- b. The draw was completed approximately two weeks prior to the Championships. The following objectives were kept in mind.....
- i) All matches were scheduled for 1.5 hour duration.
  - ii) Teams from the same association were not to play at the same time.
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### 3. Accomodation

The GVAVA secretary made tentative bookings at two motels in Shepparton approxi-

..... All affiliated associations were

4. Provision of Food and Drink

The Shepparton Stadium's canteen is run by franchise from the Shepparton City Council. The leasee provided an excellent variety of hot and cold food, drink and confectionary.

5. Promotion

Promotion and advertising of the Championships was made via.....

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 .....  
 D. Watson  
 G. Watson  
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Ballarat  
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 R. Rosenow  
 J. Lavery  
 J. Llewellyn  
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Geelong  
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Warrnambool  
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 .....  
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WOMEN

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 P. Dinsmore  
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 J. Hutchinson  
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 C. Roberts  
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C. FINANCE

After consultation with the VCVC it was decided to charge all players and spectators \$1 per day entry fee to the stadium. In an attempt to promote the Championships all players in the GVAVA Under 17 competitions were issued with free passes.

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D. RESULTS

1. The tables below show the final placings of all teams prior to the start of the finals.

WOMEN

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18 - 16	25 min.
15 - 12	25 min.
<u>15 - 8</u>	<u>18 min.</u>
48 - 36	1.08 min.

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E) PROBLEMS

1. Resistance from the media towards volleyball needs to be overcome. The lack of interest/coverage by the media, at least in part, appears to be due to the competition for media time and space from other sporting activities.
2. Attendance of spectators throughout the Championships was particularly disappointing. This is obviously related to No. 1 above.
3. Registration of players was required upon the teams arrival. The GVAVA, however had no way of ensuring that the players were registered with the VCVC. Unless some check is made prior to the commencement of the Championships, there seems little point in requiring teams to register their players for the Championships.
4. The problem of socks being part of a team's uniform again arose. Clarification is needed on whether a variety of different coloured bands on socks constitutes a breach of uniform regulations.
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T.G. Clough  
Secretary GVAVA