



**Minutes of Croquet Victoria Council Meeting
held Monday 16 February 2026 via Zoom**

1 Attendance

1.1 Present:

1.1.1 Directors:

Stephen Forster (Vice-President), Sarina Cevaal-Hewitt (Secretary/NEDCA), Claire Keating (Treasurer), Robin Russell (Member), Pat Smith (Member/Ballarat & District), Rita Jenkins (Member), Treesh Reeve (Bayside), Wayne Worlidge (EMCA), Janelle Morris (Geelong), Judy Hodder (Gippsland), Joan Loorham (Goldfields), Trish Pedrotti (Goulburn Valley-part meeting), Damien Hadfield (NDCA), Trevor Turner (WMCMA), Rachel Cousins (Wimmera).

1.1.2 Observers:

Minn Stewart (Elsternwick), Lorraine Powell (Murray Valley).

1.2 Apologies:

Kate Patrick (President), Terry Manwaring (SEMCA), Ian Potter (Member/Murray Valley), Tom Lacey (Gippsland), Kevin Beard (WMCMA).

2 Opening/Declaration of Interest

The Vice-President opened the meeting at 6.30 pm, the meeting acknowledged the sudden death of Mark Wilson, husband of Croquet Victoria President, Kate Patrick with a minute's silence.

No Director declared an interest in any Agenda Items.

3 Adoption of Minutes of Previous Council Meeting

<https://croquetvic.asn.au/minutes/20251215Council.pdf>

Resolved that Minutes of Croquet Victoria Council Meeting held 15 December 2026 be adopted as a true and correct record.

6.40 pm Trish Pedrotti joins meeting.

3.1 Business Arising from Minutes of Previous Meetings:

3.1.1 Preferred Zoom Meeting Day: See Agenda Item 7.1.2

3.2 Circular Resolutions:

Council approved the Ballarat & District and Wimmera Croquet Associations for \$2170.00 for a strategic initiative to increase knowledge of Golf Croquet Rules and refereeing.

Council approved the appointment of Colin Clark as webmaster; the draft contract for Services to be effective immediately upon signing by both parties and the Croquet Victoria President to be authorised to sign the contract on behalf of Croquet Victoria.

4 Adoption of Financial Report

Attached as Annex A

The Treasurer noted that clubs have now been billed for the annual member insurance levy.

Resolved that the Financial Report be accepted and that Council approve a \$40,000 drawdown from the Investment Portfolio.

4.1 Business Arising from Financial Report:

4.1.1 Financial Delegation Authority Policy: See Agenda 7.1.1

4.2 Review 2026-2027 Draft Budget:

The Treasurer spoke to the Draft Budget which will be put for adoption at the 16 March 2026 Council Meeting.

Some items of note:

- National 2026 Golf Croquet Championships will be hosted by Victoria
- Book-keeper costs will increase in next financial year
- Webmaster remuneration included
- Proposed Strategic Plan Implement Roadshows included
- Funding for Development Initiative continuing
- BSS Group Report identified repairs to pathways at Victorian Croquet Centre included
- Club Development Officer position reimbursement included

5 Consent Items

- 5.1 President's Report:** Attached as Annex B
- 5.2 Secretary's Report: including correspondence** Attached as Annex C
- 5.3 Marketing & Publicity Sub-Committee Report:** Attached as Annex D
- 5.4 Strategic Plan Implementation Sub-Committee Report:** Attached as Annex E
See Agenda 7.1.3
- 5.5 Lawn Management Project:**
Eaglehawk Croquet Club - soil sampling concluded
- 5.6 Sub-Committee Minutes Received and Distributed:**
Marketing & Publicity Sub-Committee: 7 January 2026
Strategic Plan Implementation Sub-Committee: 3 February 2026
Finance & Investment Sub-Committee: 27 January 2026
VCC Sub-Committee: 12 November 2025, 23 December 2025.
Child Safe Sub-Committee: 9 February 2026
Golf Croquet Selection Sub-Committee: 10 February 2026
- 5.7 Regional Reports: WMCMA** Attached as Annex F
Resolved that Consent Items be accepted.

6 Business Arising from Consent Items

Nil.

7 General Business

7.1 Matters for Decision:

7.1.1 Finance Delegations and Procurement Authority:

Resolved that the Financial Delegations and Procurement Authority be adopted.

The above policy replaces both the Financial Payments Authority and Croquet Victoria Procurement Policy.

Action Secretary

7.1.2 Monthly Meeting Day:

Resolved that Council Meetings be scheduled for 6.30 pm on the third Monday of each month of the year (excluding January and face-to-face meetings at the Victorian Croquet Centre).

7.1.3 Strategic Plan Implementation Sub-Committee:

Resolved that Croquet Victoria support the cost of livestreaming the 2026 Eire Cup and National 2026 Association Croquet Men's Championship.

Resolved that Croquet Victoria contribute to the cost recovery with other State Associations on pro-rata basis related to membership.

8 Other Business

8.1 Meeting Recap:

- Adoption of Financial Delegations and Procurement Policy
- Preferred meeting schedule finalised
- Support for livestreaming of Eire Cup and National 2026 Association Croquet Men's Championships approved
- Draft Budget reviewed prior to tabling at March 2026 Council Meeting

9 Close Meeting 7.15 pm

10 In Camera Meeting: This meeting was held In-Camera

11 Next Meetings

2026

March	Monday	16	Council	6.30 pm	Zoom
April	Monday	20	Council	6.30 pm	Zoom
May	Monday	18	Council	6.30 pm	Zoom
June	Monday	15	Council Face to Face at Cairnlea		
July	Monday	20	Council	6.30 pm	Zoom
August	Monday	17	Council	6.30 pm	Zoom
September	Monday	21	Council	6.30 pm	Zoom
October	Monday	19	Council	6.30 pm	Zoom
November	Monday	16	Council	6.30 pm	Zoom
December	Monday	21	Council Face to Face at Cairnlea		

**Annex A to
Croquet Victoria Council Meeting Minutes
16 February 2026**

FINANCIAL REPORT JANUARY 2026

The following financial reports are attached:

- Summary Profit and loss for ten months ended 31 January 2026 against prior year and budget with indicative VCA/VCC split
- Balance Sheet as at 31 January 2026
- JBWere Monthly report Summary January 2026

Key points to note:

As in prior months we are significantly ahead of budget and last year. The Net Operating result at the end of January is \$236,294 compared to a budgeted deficit of \$(41,196) and \$101,974 last year. The overall result, including positive Investment market movement, is \$628,552 compared to a budget of \$33,803 and \$433,338 this time last year.

Income

- a) The JB Were investment portfolio income YTD is \$383k compared to budget of \$191k and \$207k last year.
- b) VCA and ACA Affiliation fees are in line with budget.
- c) Player insurance of \$9.6k has been paid by VCA but not yet recovered from clubs. Billing will occur this month.
- d) Tournament revenue has increased with more entries than budgeted.
- e) CA Courts hire is lower than budget mainly due to lower numbers in some tournaments (Ricochet).
- f) The unrealised gain on the Investment portfolio YTD is \$392k, still much higher than expected for the year to date.

Expenses

- a) MYOB and Admin support and Committees continue to be lower than budget.
- b) YTD spend on development initiatives is below budget. There are claims coming through in February which will utilise the majority of the allocation.
- c) We have paid out \$2.2k in junior scholarships in January, supporting players to attend the Australian U21s championships.
- d) Differences in other expenses are mainly due to timing.

Balance Sheet

- e) Net Assets at 31 January were \$10,071,394 compared to \$9,711,902 at January last year. The movement in Net Assets for the ten months is an increase of \$628k.
- f) Fixed Assets increased by \$1.9k as the defibrillator was purchased during the month.
- g) See attachment for summary pages of the JB Were portfolio at 31 January showing the value of \$6,300,431 an increase of \$692k since the end of March.

Cash Outlook

The operating bank account is \$35k at month end. We have some significant expenditure expected including drawdowns on the Development initiative fund, scarifying costs and the new security

system. I recommend Council approve draw down of \$40k from the investment portfolio over the next month.

Other

The Finance and Investment sub-committee met on 27 January. The main agenda items were the Draft Budget for 26/27 and the Financial Delegations Policy, both of which are on this Council agenda for consideration.

Given the positive financial position of Croquet Victoria, particularly in light of the unexpectedly robust income in 2025, the sub-committee agreed that the Treasurer should draw the attention of relevant sub-committees to the ability of Croquet Victoria to fund suitable projects, not involving ongoing commitments, in the current financial year.

Claire Keating
Treasurer
9 February 2026

Victorian Croquet Association Inc.

Summary Profit & Loss vs Budget and Prior Year, VCA and VCC indicative split

April 2025 To January 2026

	This Year	Budgeted YTD	\$ Difference	Last Year	\$ Difference	VCA	VCC
INCOME							
JBWERE	\$383,259.37	\$191,000.00	\$192,259.37	\$206,895.05	\$176,364.32	\$209,118.94	\$174,140.43
VCA AFFILIATIONS	\$98,090.89	\$98,254.55	(\$163.66)	\$97,381.88	\$709.01	\$93,254.52	\$4,836.37
ACA AFFILIATIONS/INSURANCE	\$106,472.76	\$118,000.00	(\$11,527.24)	\$95,072.68	\$11,400.08	\$106,472.76	
MERCHANDISE/PENNANT	\$1,580.75	\$1,700.00	(\$119.25)	\$2,978.15	(\$1,397.40)	\$1,580.75	
TOURNAMENTS	\$12,769.62	\$9,830.00	\$2,939.62	\$13,167.85	(\$398.23)		\$12,769.62
CATERING/BAR	\$2,157.52	\$4,800.00	(\$2,642.48)	\$5,875.74	(\$3,718.22)		\$2,157.52
PREMISES/COURTS/RENT	\$19,358.73	\$25,500.00	(\$6,141.27)	\$19,759.73	(\$401.00)		\$19,358.73
BEQUESTS/DONATIONS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,045.00	(\$1,045.00)		\$0.00
GRANTS	\$11,192.20	\$8,600.00	\$2,592.20	\$24,559.57	(\$13,367.37)	\$11,192.20	
Total INCOME	\$634,881.84	\$457,684.55	\$177,197.29	\$466,735.65	\$168,146.19	\$421,619.17	\$213,262.67
Gross Profit	\$634,881.84	\$457,684.55	\$177,197.29	\$466,735.65	\$168,146.19		
EXPENSES							
ACA AFFILIATIONS/INSURANCE	\$118,308.78	\$118,000.00	\$308.78	\$108,652.72	\$9,656.06	\$118,308.78	
ADMINISTRATION VCA	\$71,195.31	\$72,690.00	(\$1,494.69)	\$41,601.10	\$29,594.21	\$40,850.86	\$30,344.45
COMMITTEES	\$6,877.33	\$40,700.00	(\$33,822.67)	\$3,294.85	\$3,582.48	\$6,877.33	
COUNCIL/COM travel	\$1,933.10	\$2,200.00	(\$266.90)	\$1,952.51	(\$19.41)	\$1,933.10	
GRANTS	\$10,436.68	\$8,000.00	\$2,436.68	\$25,983.54	(\$15,546.86)	\$10,436.68	
UNDER 21S SCHOLARSHIP	\$3,269.58	\$5,300.00	(\$2,030.42)	\$872.82	\$2,396.76	\$3,269.58	
TOURNAMENTS	\$4,845.53	\$6,060.00	(\$1,214.47)	\$6,118.54	(\$1,273.01)		\$4,845.53
MERCHANDISE/PENNANT	\$1,670.89	\$2,900.00	(\$1,229.11)	\$3,217.55	(\$1,546.66)	\$1,670.89	
VCC BUILDING	\$125,764.35	\$161,040.00	(\$35,275.65)	\$119,687.96	\$6,076.39		\$125,764.35
CATERING/BAR	\$825.16	\$3,600.00	(\$2,774.84)	\$2,867.88	(\$2,042.72)		\$825.16
VCC COURTS	\$38,039.39	\$69,800.00	(\$31,760.61)	\$42,966.68	(\$4,927.29)		\$38,039.39
STATE TEAMS G & A	\$15,420.90	\$8,590.91	\$6,829.99	\$7,545.46	\$7,875.44	\$15,420.90	
Total EXPENSES	\$398,587.00	\$498,880.91	(\$100,293.91)	\$364,761.61	\$33,825.39	\$198,768.12	\$199,818.88
Operating Profit	\$236,294.84	(\$41,196.36)	\$277,491.20	\$101,974.04	\$134,320.80	\$222,851.05	\$13,443.79
OTHER INCOME							
Realised fair value gains(losses)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$259,988.83	(\$259,988.83)		
Unrealised fair value gains(losses)	\$392,257.31	\$75,000.00	\$317,257.31	\$71,375.84	\$320,881.47		
Total OTHER INCOME	\$392,257.31	\$75,000.00	\$317,257.31	\$331,364.67	\$60,892.64		
Net Profit/(Loss)	\$628,552.15	\$33,803.64	\$594,748.51	\$433,338.71	\$195,213.44		

Balance Sheet

As of January 2026

ABN: 91 903 271 264

Assets		
Current Assets		
Bank Accounts		
Bendigo	\$36,000.95	
Bendigo - Grants Account	\$15,493.01	
Holding	-\$587.25	
Total Bank Accounts		\$50,906.71
Petty Cash Float		\$100.00
Total Current Assets		\$51,006.71
Accounts Receivable		
Accounts Receivable		\$454.43
Total Accounts Receivable		\$454.43
JBWERE - Investment A/c		\$6,300,431.85
Fixed Assets		
Cairnlea - Land and site works at cost		
Building at cost	\$1,980,368.00	
Accumulated depreciation	-\$1,628,041.00	
Plant & Equipment		
Plant and Equipment	\$227,703.58	
Accumulated Depreciation	-\$174,323.98	
Total Plant & Equipment		\$53,379.60
Total Fixed Assets		\$3,737,542.60
Total Assets		\$10,089,435.59
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		\$6,473.36
Total Current Liabilities		\$6,473.36
Tax Payable		
GST Collected	\$5,588.07	
GST Paid	-\$9,513.67	
Total Tax Payable		-\$3,925.60
Grant Liabilities		
Grants Received in Advance	\$15,493.01	
Total Grant Liabilities		\$15,493.01
Total Liabilities		\$18,040.77
Net Assets		\$10,071,394.82
Equity		
Reserves		
General Reserve	\$7,703,572.44	
Asset Revaluation Reserve	\$967,044.58	
Retained Earnings	\$724,361.57	
Current Earnings	\$628,552.15	
Special Funds		\$47,864.08
Total Equity		\$10,071,394.82

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Cash										
JBWCA	JBWere Cash Account	48,880.47	1.00	48,880.47	1.00	48,880.47	0.78%	-	1,637.50	3.35%
Totals				48,880.47		48,880.47	0.78%	-	1,637.50	3.35%
Credit										
+ALD0327A	Ampol Ltd Subordinated bonds FRN 3MBBSW+3.4% Callable 19/03/2027 Matures 2/12/2081	100,000	1.0358	103,585.00	1.0325	103,247.20	1.64%	-337.80	7,361.53	7.13%
+BOQ0726A	Bank of Queensland Ltd Subordinated bonds FRN 3MBBSW+1.6% Callable 29/07/2026 Matures 29/07/2031	100,000	1.0041	100,411.00	1.0044	100,438.00	1.59%	27.00	5,473.87	5.45%
+HNZ1030A	ANZ Holdings New Zealand Ltd FRN 3MBBSW+2.95% Callable 18/10/2030 Matures 18/10/2030	100,000	1.0512	105,117.00	1.0524	105,239.50	1.67%	122.50	7,030.00	6.68%
+MBL0230A	Macquarie Bank Ltd FRN 3MBBSW+1.85% Callable 20/02/2030 Matures 20/02/2035	100,000	1.0217	102,168.00	1.0353	103,530.60	1.64%	1,362.60	5,683.83	5.49%
+NAB1131A	National Australia Bank Ltd Subordinated bonds FRN	100,000	1.0297	102,965.33	1.023	102,295.40	1.62%	-669.93	5,800.15	5.67%
+QBE1028A	QBE Insurance Group Ltd FRN 3MBBSW+2.55% Callable 26/10/2028 Matures 26/10/2038	100,000	1.0155	101,549.00	1.0364	103,643.80	1.65%	2,094.80	6,591.75	6.36%
ETL0019AU	PIMCO GLOBAL CREDIT W	264,489.1571	0.9894	261,689.53	0.909	240,420.64	3.82%	-21,268.89	11,516.15	4.79%
HOW0052AU	KAPSTREAM ABSOLUTE RETURN INCOME Price as at 29/01/2026	227,608.2593	1.1903	270,930.65	1.1858	269,897.87	4.28%	-1,032.78	12,928.11	4.79%
IOF0046AU	JANUS HENDERSON AUSTRALIAN FXD INTST Price as at 29/01/2026	258,095.3384	1.016	262,236.21	0.9876	254,894.96	4.05%	-7,341.25	12,209.47	4.79%
SUBD	VANECK AUSTRALIAN SUBORDINATED DEBT ETF	16,140	24.8998	401,882.40	25.36	409,310.40	6.5%	7,428.00	22,348.35	5.46%
Totals				1,812,534.12		1,792,918.37	28.46%	-19,615.75	96,943.21	5.41%
Real Assets										
GLIN	ISHARES FTSE GBL INFRASTRUCTURE (AUD HEDGED) ETF	4,100	29.3422	120,302.95	29.60	121,360.00	1.93%	1,057.05	3,228.18	2.66%
GLPR	ISHARES FTSE GBL PROPERTY EX AUS (AUD HEDGED) ETF	3,000	26.69	80,070.00	27.04	81,120.00	1.29%	1,050.00	2,749.97	3.39%
IOF0184AU	RESOLUTION CAPITAL GBL PPTY SECS UH SII	60,624.753	1.3265	80,418.25	1.3128	79,588.18	1.26%	-830.07	2,833.34	3.56%
PIM6769AU	ATLAS INFRASTRUCTURE AUST FDR FD - UNHDG Price as at 28/01/2026	70,240.949	1.7251	121,172.42	1.7916	125,843.68	2%	4,671.26	4,480.04	3.56%

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Portfolio valuation

As at 31 Jan 2026

Net portfolio value \$6,300,431.85 continued

Asset	Quantity	Avg unit cost \$	Actual cost \$	Unit price \$	Market value \$	Portfolio weight %	Gain/loss \$	Est income ^(a) \$	Est yield ^(b) %	
Real Assets										
Totals			401,963.62		407,911.86	6.48%	5,948.24	13,291.53	3.26%	
Equity - Domestic										
AMC	AMCOR PLC CDI 1:1 FOREIGN EXEMPT NYSE	924	79.95	73,873.80	62.49	57,740.76	0.92%	-16,133.04	3,221.93	5.58%
APA	APA GROUP FULLY PAID UNITS STAPLED SECURITIES	5,430	9.2454	50,202.54	8.86	48,109.80	0.76%	-2,092.74	3,180.06	6.61%
ARG	ARGO INVESTMENTS LIMITED FPO	10,056	6.7512	67,889.79	9.09	91,409.04	1.45%	23,519.25	3,318.15	3.63%
BFL0004AU	BENNELONG EX-20 AUSTRALIAN EQUITIES Price as at 29/01/2026	62,082.1394	2.094	130,000.00	2.0646	128,174.79	2.03%	-1,825.21	5,755.05	4.49%
BHP	BHP GROUP LIMITED FPO	3,310	17.4187	57,656.06	50.57	167,386.70	2.66%	109,730.64	5,958.97	3.56%
BXB	BRAMBLES LIMITED FPO	3,230	10.38	33,527.40	22.40	72,352.00	1.15%	38,824.60	2,170.56	3%
CBA	COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA. FPO	840	38.64	32,457.60	149.36	125,462.40	1.99%	93,004.80	4,265.72	3.4%
COL	COLES GROUP LIMITED. FPO	2,840	17.56	49,870.40	21.28	60,435.20	0.96%	10,564.80	2,363.02	3.91%
CSL	CSL LIMITED FPO	384	283.7748	108,969.54	181.42	69,665.28	1.11%	-39,304.26	1,769.50	2.54%
HOW0020AU	WAVESTONE AUSTRALIAN SHARE Price as at 29/01/2026	111,351.6857	1.6151	179,842.12	2.782	309,780.39	4.92%	129,938.27	13,909.14	4.49%
IAG	INSURANCE AUSTRALIA GROUP LIMITED FPO	7,420	5.24	38,880.80	7.60	56,392.00	0.9%	17,511.20	2,447.41	4.34%
MQG	MACQUARIE GROUP LIMITED FPO	500	89.13	44,565.00	212.18	106,090.00	1.68%	61,525.00	3,840.46	3.62%
NAB	NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LIMITED FPO	2,740	21.9148	60,046.42	43.37	118,833.80	1.89%	58,787.38	4,693.94	3.95%
RGN	REGION GROUP FULLY PAID UNITS STAPLED SECURITIES	25,450	1.4396	36,638.93	2.31	58,789.50	0.93%	22,150.57	3,691.98	6.28%
RIO	RIO TINTO LIMITED FPO	870	28.29	24,612.30	151.55	131,848.50	2.09%	107,236.20	5,590.38	4.24%
RMD	RESMED INC CDI 10:1 FOREIGN EXEMPT NYSE	1,720	29.20	50,224.00	37.54	64,568.80	1.02%	14,344.80	632.77	0.98%
TCL	TRANSURBAN GROUP FULLY PAID ORDINARY/UNITS STAPLED SECURITIES	7,870	11.5539	90,929.07	13.95	109,786.50	1.74%	18,857.43	5,555.20	5.06%
TLS	TELSTRA GROUP LIMITED FPO	14,250	3.4615	49,326.92	4.88	69,540.00	1.1%	20,213.08	2,920.68	4.2%
WBC	WESTPAC BANKING CORPORATION FPO	3,940	16.8645	66,446.05	38.82	152,950.80	2.43%	86,504.75	6,286.28	4.11%
WDS	WOODSIDE ENERGY GROUP LTD FPO	598	29.76	17,796.48	25.37	15,171.26	0.24%	-2,625.22	467.27	3.08%
WES	WESFARMERS LIMITED FPO	1,450	10.8919	15,793.31	83.36	120,872.00	1.92%	105,078.69	3,336.07	2.76%
Totals			1,279,548.53		2,135,359.52	33.89%	855,810.99	85,374.54	4%	
Equity - International										
IHVV	ISHARES S&P 500 AUD HEDGED ETF	7,020	38.3974	269,550.00	63.32	444,506.40	7.06%	174,956.40	3,467.15	0.78%
MAQ0464AU	ARROWSTREET GLOBAL EQUITY FUND	245,965.0406	1.281	315,079.90	1.7007	418,312.74	6.64%	103,232.84	7,780.62	1.86%

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Equity - International										
	Price as at 29/01/2026									
MAQ0557AU	WALTER SCOTT GLOBAL EQUITY HEDGED	317,484.3149	1.0079	319,984.91	1.0195	323,675.26	5.14%	3,690.35	6,020.36	1.86%
	Price as at 29/01/2026									
MAQ8746AU	IFP GLOBAL FRANCHISE II (H) (WHOLSL) W	133,440.9926	1.3574	181,128.02	1.4649	195,477.71	3.1%	14,349.69	3,635.89	1.86%
	Price as at 29/01/2026									
PLA0002AU	PLATINUM INTERNATIONAL FUND	0.04	1.25	0.05	2.00	0.08	-	0.03	-	1.86%
	Price as at 29/01/2026									
VAN0003AU	VANGUARD INTERNATIONAL SHARES INDEX	129,200.21	1.8346	237,032.69	4.0735	526,297.06	8.35%	289,264.37	9,789.13	1.86%
	Price as at 29/01/2026									
Totals			1,322,775.57		1,908,269.25	30.29%	585,493.68	30,693.15	1.61%	
Portfolio totals			4,865,702.31		6,293,339.47	99.9%	1,427,637.16	227,939.93	3.62%	
Income declared but not paid			7,092.38		7,092.38	0.11%				
Net portfolio totals			4,872,794.69		6,300,431.85	100%	1,427,637.16	227,939.93	3.62%	

(a) Estimated income

This estimation is based on historical returns and should not be regarded as an accurate indication of future earnings.

(b) Estimated yield percentage

The estimated yield is the estimated income as a percentage of the market value.

Important Notice: The Portfolio valuation does not disclose liabilities as at the end of quarter that are associated with partly paid securities. Any liabilities at end of quarter will be separately notified to you in writing, if applicable and any such notice will form part of this report. For further information, contact your JBWere Adviser.

Total portfolio value represents the aggregate of the Market value of assets in your portfolio. Net portfolio value represents your Total portfolio value after any receivables (including but not limited to income declared but not paid) and payables have been taken into account.

President's report

BACKGROUND

Under the by-laws, the president is required to represent and promote mallet sports in all its forms throughout Victoria, to chair meetings of Council and CoM, and to attend meetings of sub-committees and working groups *ex officio*. Under the Constitution, the Committee of Management reports to Council via the President, but at present the Committee of Management is not meeting.

UPDATE

1. Promoting and representing mallet sports

Since my last formal report in December, I have

- Coordinated and contributed to commentary on the livestreamed Croquet Australia GC Presidents' Eights

2. Governance

Assisted in negotiations and resolution of the appointment of Colin Clark as Webmaster succeeding Gareth Bushill. Assisted the Nominations Sub-Committee in encouraging members to stand for the Treasurer's position which comes up for election in June.

Continued to forward the Croquet Victoria mobile phone as agreed by Council in November.

3. Liaising with Croquet Australia and other states

Continued to attend independent meetings of Presidents, which we have agreed will continue in parallel with the meetings convened by the new Managing Director Chris Broad. One meeting has taken place and another is scheduled for next week. Issues being discussed include

- Staff turnover at Croquet Australia
- Criteria for staff selection
- Availability to the States of basic information about Croquet Australia affairs (finances; minutes of meetings)
- Insurance arrangements

The next meeting of Presidents with Croquet Australia is set for Thursday 19 February.

4. Attendance at meetings

Since the December meeting of Council I have attended the following meetings *ex officio*: VCC Business Plan (1), VCC subcommittee (2), Marketing and Publicity (2), Tournaments and Fixtures (3), the Strategic Plan Implementation Sub-Committee (3), the Child Safe Sub-Committee (3), Finance (2), Health and Safety (1) and the Nominations Sub-Committee (1).

Matters discussed at these meetings include:

Development of new initiatives

- Equipment and training to support live streaming
- Process for developing Croquet Victoria's next Strategic Plan
- Regional roadshows in 2026
- Supporting clubs in identifying and tackling safety requirements
- Preparing for the Interstate Shield to be held in Melbourne in 2026

Business as usual

- Maintenance and safety requirements at the Victorian Croquet Centre
- Challenges in working to the Government Child Safe Standards
- Strategies for developing junior croquet

Over the next few months, I would like to delegate the responsibility of attending some of these meetings to other members of Council.

Kate Patrick
13 February 2026

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Croquet Victoria Membership

3117 (5 February 2026)

Tournaments Awaiting Results

Ten Association Croquet Tournaments completed awaiting results.

Five Golf Croquet Tournaments completed awaiting results.

<https://croquetvic.asn.au/tournamentsunreported.php>

Director Training

Four Directors yet to complete Bullying & Harassment online module.

Six Alternate Directors yet to complete Bullying & Harassment online module.

Two Directors yet to complete a Governance module (The Start Line or Step-In Step-Up).

Five Alternate Directors yet to complete Governance online module.

Meeting Day Preferences

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
11	9	11	7	5

Not settled whether daytime or evening.

Annual Club Survey

Eighteen of the 86 clubs have completed the survey to date.

Regional Reports to Council 2026 - yearly report to be included in Annual Report

16 February 2026	WMCMA
20 April 2026	SEMCA, NEDCA, Gippsland, SWCA
17 August 2026	EMCVA, Bayside
19 October 2026	Ballarat, Geelong, Goldfields, Wimmera
14 December 2026	GVCA, NDCA, Murray Valley



Secretary

Correspondence February Council Meeting	
In - Email	
5 Dec 2025	Complaint documentation - forwarded to Croquet Australia MPIO
9 Dec 2025	One Music Licensing - use of music publicly, eg streaming
12 Dec 2025	Forwarded to Sec: Good Sports Liquor Licensing Club Seminar
18 Dec 2025	Red Medical - Event Support
19 Dec 2025	Croquet Australian General Manager - response to progress to address revSport issue
23 Dec 2026	Vicsport - appointment of Elyse Jenkins as new CEO
11 Jan 2026	Croquet Australia - updated Selection Policy
12 Jan 2026	Croquet Australia - Call for Nominations AC International Selection Committee
17 Jan 2026	Sec Cc'd - Clyde Merrell - approval for mallet design
20 Jan 2026	Croquet Victoria webmaster - aligning Croquet Victoria financial year with Croquet Australia
22 Jan 2026	Sec Cc'd - revSport to Croquet Australia re ability to access Victoria's member database on revSport
27 Jan 2026	Get Skilled Access - Access Inclusion & Advisory
4 Feb 2026	Development Initiative - Warrnambool Croquet Club Invoice
Various	Vicsport eBulletins, Gateball emails, Eire Cup Team acceptances, SRV emails, Complaint (two) Handling documentation, Circular Resolutions, queries re Certificates of Currency, clubs issues with revSport.
Out Email	
3 Dec 2025	Sec Cc'd - Inaugural U21 Golf Croquet Singles Championships arrangements
	Sec Cc'd - Cr Dang - Brimbank City Council - query re indigenous contribution to history of 65 Nobel Banks Drive
9 Jan 2026	Club Secretaries/Directors - Gender Balance Statement
21 Jan 2026	Hamilton Croquet Club - Development Initiative Invoice
Various	distribution of eBulletins, requests for information from regions and clubs to migrate to revSport, Complaint Handling documentation (two),

M and P Sub-Committee Quarterly Report for the Croquet Victoria Council Meeting February 2026

Background

The sub-committee meets monthly and is tasked with promoting the sport across Victoria and Southern NSW. Our efforts are focused on enhancing the visibility of and engagement with mallet sports

Activities over the last quarter

The following is a summary of key activities taken by the sub-committee during the quarter

- Ongoing distribution of the monthly newsletters highlighting club achievements and providing marketing tips and tricks. Given the importance of local Club initiatives to promote croquet in the community and increase membership, we have introduced a Club Profile page in the monthly newsletter alternating between city and regions. So far we have profiled Wodonga and Monash.
- A team of 25 volunteers introduced croquet to over 100 attendees at Government House on Australia Day. Feedback was very positive.
- We are asking Club Secretaries to promote a link to the monthly newsletter. In doing this, we became aware that not all Club Secretaries are accessing Croquet Victoria communication. This is an issue we investigated and hope better communication to Clubs can be resolved.
 - 35 of 86 clubs do not use generic email addresses
 - Around 10% of club secretaries did not give the request about communication any priority.
 - A number of clubs responded that the generic email address was correct but did not provide their names. On checking their website on RevSport, nil information was provided.
- The Sub-Committee reviewed survey questions and suggestions will be added to the next survey.
- Our annual face-to-face meeting will be held in Shepperton next weekend. As well as considering the next steps in livestreaming, we will review how best we can build on previous M&P success and knowledge.
- A new trifold brochure was developed and printed based on a Croquet England How-To-Play Guide. Regions will be sent brochures to distribute to Clubs for feedback.
- Demand from Clubs for bookmarks and trifold brochures continues.
- Mornington, Frankston and Monash have been accepted for the proposed marketing workshops with Alison Maugham from Croquet England. Workshops will likely begin later this month.
- Members of M&P with Sarina Cevaal-Hewitt met with Croquet England, Croquet NSW and Croquet NZ to discuss livestreaming of tournaments. Quotes were received from two livestreaming providers for livestreaming kits able to be managed by volunteers. Croquet Victoria approved funding to bring videographer Sam Gumbrell to train volunteers while livestreaming the President's Eight in Victoria. Feedback from volunteers will inform a proposal to Croquet Victoria.
- A 26/27 budget was prepared

Future focus

- We are seeking better evidence for the success of initiatives through survey data and feedback.
- Promoting mallet sports through livestreaming of competitions and coaching videos is an opportunity for Croquet Victoria. The Committee and the Croquet Victoria Secretary have researched the logistics of managing in-house livestreaming and are preparing a recommendation for Croquet Victoria.
- We need better marketing at events and Clubs – banners, marquees, signage, flag with current graphics
- As well as broad marketing approaches, the M&P Sub-Committee continues to focus on encouraging the promotion of mallet sports at a Club level.

**CROQUET VICTORIA
STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT PROPOSAL
FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL**

COVER SHEET

MOTION: That Council approve the attached Strategic Development Fund project for Livestreaming forthcoming national events which is recommended by the Strategic Plan Implementation Committee

BACKGROUND

1. Forthcoming National Events.
The 2026 Eire Cup and [26 Australian Association Croquet Men's and Women's Singles](#) will be played at Forest Park Croquet Club, Western Australia in April.
2. Livestreaming proposal
A recent national meeting of Presidents of state Croquet Associations discussed a proposal from CNSW for livestreaming of the Eire Cup and some of the Men's AC Final (see attached paper for details)
3. Equipment and expertise
CNSW has had significant experience with livestreaming state events in 2025 and these events have been widely viewed. CNSW equipment and an experienced producer would provide the images. CWA would provide commentators
4. Cost
The total national cost is estimated to be \$7490. (firm quotes being sought)
CA may provide 10% of the total.
State Associations may share the cost on a pro rata to membership basis or equally between states who agree to participate.
5. Estimated CV Contribution \$2250 (based on pro rata to membership option)
6. Proposed Source of Victorian Funds
SPISC is empowered, (under Development Initiative Fund Guidelines), to "generate submissions for projects of broader or statewide benefits" up to a ceiling of \$10,000. Uncommitted funds are available to cover this proposal.

Recommendation

SPISC RECOMMENDS THAT:

- **CV SUPPORT THE LIVESTREAMING OF 2026 EIRE CUP & MEN'S AC FINALS AS PROPOSED BY CNSW**
- **CV CONTRIBUTE TO THE COST RECOVERY WITH OTHER STATE ASSOCIATIONS ON A PRO RATA BASIS RELATED TO MEMBERSHIP**

**Treesh Reeve
Convenor
Strategic Plan Implementation Sub Committee
6 February 2026**

PROPOSAL PRESENTED TO MEETING OF PRESIDENTS OF STATE ASSOCIATIONS SHARING OF LIVESTREAMING COSTS FOR 2026 EIRE CUP AND MEN'S AC SINGLES

MOTION ADOPTED BY MEETING OF STATE PRESIDENTS

State presidents agree that livestreaming of the Men's AC finals and the Eire cup is a good idea and that they will either approve the sharing of costs or **seek approval from their Board in February to share the costs.**

BACKGROUND

CNSW Livestreamed eight major CNSW in 2025. Overall, there have been around 10,000 views of the events. CNSW also livestreamed the nine days of the ISS golf in the Hunter where about 2000 views a day have been recorded. While it is difficult to quantify if live streaming increases membership and participation, view numbers at least indicate that possible new members have viewed the livestream and/or existing members have viewed the livestream and might be inclined to increase their participation in croquet.

PROPOSAL

- Livestream all five days of the Eire Cup & the semi finals & finals of the Men's AC championship
- CNSW to provide the equipment and an operator.
- The host state would need to provide a Livestreaming Event Co Ordinator who would organise sufficient AC commentators
- The host state would need to request CA to ensure that all states play at least one game at the livestreaming club.

INDICATIVE COSTING

Based on livestreaming costing of previous CNSW events, the following indicative costings are presented: Livestreaming (6 days @ \$660 a day including GST \$3960); (Accommodation 7 nights @ up to \$220 a night \$1540); Meals \$70 a day x 7 days \$490); Return airfare and transfers \$1000 Equipment transport \$500

TOTAL COST \$7490

STATES

Divided equally between the states, \$1248 each state.

Alternatively, states might contribute pro rata to their membership – meaning that Victoria would contribute around 30% of the total, ie \$2250.]

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CA livestreaming policy indicates that they may contribute up to 10% of the cost.

HOST CLUB/STATE

Host state/club responsible for all other costs associated with livestreaming

FURTHER ACTION

- CNSW to seek a firm quote for the livestreaming costs including equipment transfer.
- Western Australia to advise Croquet Australia of the proposed livestreaming and seek approval to ensure that all states are scheduled to play at least one Eire cup round at the livestreaming host club.
- Western Australia to appoint a Livestreaming Co-Ordinator to assist with preparation and to ensure that sufficient AC commentators are available.

Source: Paper presented to state presidents' Meeting by Ray Chapman, Chair Croquet NSW

**Annex F to
Croquet Victoria Council Meeting Minutes
16 February 2026**

REGIONAL REPORT - Western Metropolitan Croquet and Malletsports Association - February 2026

BASIC INFO

Club	Total Members	Affiliated Members	Associate Members	Under 21 Members	Active Coaches	Referees
Essendon		75			1 AC	2 AC, 2 GC
Brunswick	71	67	3	1	3 AC, 2 GC	2 AC, 3 GC, 1 GB
Williamstown		61			1 AC, 1 GC	3 GC
Brimbank	26	21	5			

Western Metro Croquet and Malletsports Association (WMCMA) comprises four clubs – Essendon, Brunswick, Williamstown and Brimbank. The first three clubs are two-court venues and Brimbank is located at the Victorian Croquet Centre, Cairnlea (VCC) with limited court access on days when VCC is hosting croquet events and unlimited access at other times.

Essendon

We play GC, AC and Gateball. GC is played by most players.

We hold an Annual GC Tournament which is open to members of other clubs.

Recruitment

Our recruitment is still through the U3A program, and this continues to bring in new members each year.

Notable Successes

- We hold several popular inhouse competitions over the course of the year – about half our members participate. These are handicap doubles competitions and have provided the following benefits to the members & club:
 - Use of handicap cards gives our members a handicap that reflects their true ability and allows them to easily and confidently compete in other Croquet Victoria and affiliated clubs tournaments.
 - We use a referee which helps teach our members the rules and ensures they are used to the application of them.
 - When pairing up our teams we try to team an experienced member with a less experienced one which provides great teaching and mentoring for our newer members.
 - Members play with & against other members that they may not usually play which has helped us create a very social and welcoming club environment.
 - This has led to an increased participation by our members in the inter-club level play & handicap shield seasons
- Elaine Coverdale and Owen Dickinson continue to be regular State Team members and Winners or Finalists at Victorian GC and/or AC Championships.
- Owen Dickinson won the Australian Ricochet Singles Championship. He also paired with Kevin Beard (Brunswick) to win the Doubles Championship.

- We continued our club maintenance program by obtaining a grant from the Essendon Football Club to replace our sprinkler heads and level the heads with the courts, as well as general sprinkler system maintenance.
- A high involvement of members as volunteers.

Brunswick

- We play AC, GC and Gateball
- We continue to present the Electric Light AC Carnival, a competition almost as old as electric lights.
- The lawns have been scarified and cored (December) and are presenting very well – some rain would help
- Grants have been applied for in 2025, a capital works grant to update our outside toilets (outdated 30 years ago), and an equipment grant to purchase 2 sets of new balls. At this stage we do not know the results of our applications.
- The uneven and hazardous paving has been removed and replaced with a new level concrete paved area. New tables and stools have been bolted to the concrete. We hope this will improve drainage.
- Regular GC coaching is conducted at various times during the year. Some aimed at competition players and some at beginners/new players.
- AC Beginner coaching is planned to begin early 2026 on Monday evenings under lights.
- U3A coaching and playing classes are conducted twice during the year.
- Membership has grown slightly over the year – new members balancing out members not continuing membership.
- A highly successful Invitation GC Carnival sponsored by the Community Bank Keilor East was again run. Prizemoney was enabled by the generous sponsorship.

Notable Successes

- Greg Hill and Lachlan Berryman (Associate) are regular AC State Team members and Winners or Finalists at Victorian and National AC Championships. Both represented Australia in the AC World Championships in Florida in October 2025.

Williamstown

- The Williamstown croquet club (WCC) supports players of Golf, Association and Gateball forms of the sport, with most members playing Golf Croquet. We are also seeing a growing interest in Association Croquet, with 8 regular players and 4 attending coaching sessions led by Jock Capobianco.

Inter-Club Competitions

- We won the 2025 GC Spring Shield. We were also successful in the GC Level Play, Div 2 competition. We are planning to field Level Play Div 1 and 2 teams as well as 2 Shield teams in the 2026 Autumn competition. Involvement in these competitions has surged over

the last few years. This has resulted in a noticeable improvement in the general quality (and enjoyment?) of play across the membership.

- In AC, we haven't fielded any Pennant teams since before COVID. With the growing interest in AC this year, we hope to field a team in the Div 3 or 4 Autumn competition.

State Representatives

- We have 4 members selected in the squad for the ACA GC Interstate Shield to be held in Sep; namely Claire Keating, Felix Gelman White, Richard Hingst and Richard Parks.
- Felix has also been selected as a member of the Victorian Eire Cup for the national AC championships to be held in April.

Club Centenary

- The Club was formed on 18th October 1926 and opened for play in 1928. The Pavilion was opened in 1929. Planning for our centenary celebrations will kick off shortly.

Club Administration System

- We have set up our Club website in revSport which includes membership and venue booking enquiry forms. We are starting to investigate additional capabilities around invoicing for tournaments and membership. We are using Zoho Books for accounting and financial reporting.

Brimbank

- We play GC with no one showing interest in AC.
- Memberships from Maribyrnong Park finished at just 2
- Due to health issues with 2 key leaders in the club, has meant we had little opportunity to do club planning or promotion.
- Kevin Beard has been put forward to help build Brimbank into a stronger club located at VCC.
- We would like to develop a membership drive to grow the game and our club.
- Given most of our members are 80+ work on growing the Club may have to come from a professional body at a cost to us or VCA
- We can help with functions when VCC gears up to accommodate them.
- We play in the GC Shield competition within our region
- Our region has made \$500 available to us to help do promotions (open days). We will probably need another \$500
- We have been successful in obtaining 1 small council grant in the past year.
- We (are ready to) assist VCA/VCC in volunteer work where we can.
- Courts available on a Saturday or Sunday are rare and we really do need to have our court hire/court rental reduced to compensate.