



**Croquet Victoria Council Meeting
held Monday 16 March 2026 via Zoom**

1 Attendance

1.1 Present:

1.1.1 Directors:

Kate Patrick (President), Stephen Forster (Vice-President), Sarina Cevaal-Hewitt (Secretary/NEDCA), Robin Russell (Member), Pat Smith (Member/Ballarat & District), Rita Jenkins (Member), Ian Potter (Member/Murray Valley), Treesh Reeve (Bayside), Wayne Worlidge (EMCA), Tom Lacey (Gippsland), Joan Loorham (Goldfields), Trish Pedrotti (Goulburn Valley), (Damien Hadfield (NDCA), Terry Manwaring (SEMCA), Russell Worland (SWCA), Kevin Beard (WMCMA), Rachel Cousins (Wimmera).

1.1.2 Observers:

Minn Stewart (Elsternwick Croquet Club), Judy Hodder (Bairnsdale), Peter Binks (Geelong).

1.2 Apologies:

Janelle Morris (Geelong), Claire Keating (Treasurer).

2 Opening/Declaration of Interest

The President opened the meeting at 6.31 pm, acknowledging the traditional owners of the land on which we meet today and paying her respects to elders past, present and emerging. Peter Binks was welcomed to his first Council Meeting.

A declaration of interest was declared in the honorarium budget line in the Draft Budget tabled at the meeting by President Kate Patrick and Secretary Sarina Cevaal-Hewitt.

3 Adoption of Minutes of Previous Council Meeting

Resolved that the Council Meeting held 16 February 2026 be adopted as a true and correct record'. <https://croquetvic.asn.au/minutes/20260216Council.pdf>

Resolved that the Council Meeting held In Camera Meeting 16 February 2026 to be adopted as a true and correct record.

3.1 Business Arising from Minutes of Previous Meetings:

3.1.1 Croquet Australia Eire Cup Livestreaming:

The President reported that proposed livestreaming of the Eire Cup would not be proceeding due to lack of support from all states.

3.1.2 Croquet Victoria Webmaster:

The President reported that a new webmaster had been engaged.

4 Adoption of Financial Report

Attached as Annex A

Resolved that the Financial Report be adopted.

4.1 Business Arising from Financial Report:

4.1.1 Nil.

4.2 2026-2027 Draft Budget:

Resolved that the Draft Profit & Loss Budget as tabled be approved.

Proposed expenditure on Capital Items and design of under stair enclosure referred to VCC Sub-Committee.

5 Consent Items

5.1 President's Report:

5.2 Secretary's Report: including correspondence

Attached as Annex B

5.3 Health & Safety Sub-Committee:

Attached as Annex C

5.4 VCC Business Plan Working Group Report: See Agenda Item 6.3

5.5 Sub-Committee Minutes Received and Distributed:

Health & Safety Sub-Committee: 29 January 2026

Strategic Plan Implementation Sub-Committee: 4 February 2026

VCC Sub-Committee: 11 February 2026, 4 March 2026.

Resolved to accept Consent Items for which papers had been received.

6 Business Arising from Consent Items

6.1 President's Report:

The President thanked colleagues and members for their support in her recent bereavement.

6.2 Correspondence:

The Secretary reported that recent attendance at a Game Plan information session highlighted the potential value of clubs engaging with this platform, thereby providing a Club Development Officer with self-declared specific areas where a Club could be offered support.

The SEMCA correspondence re the Victorian Croquet Centre and affiliated clubs ensuring the availability of a wheelchair in case of emergency to be an Agenda Item for the next Health & Safety Sub-Committee Meeting.

Action Health & Safety Sub-Committee

6.3 VCC Business Plan Working Group Report:

Robin Russell reported that the Working Group would convene a meeting now that any issues raised in the BSS Group Report could be addressed in the proposed 5-year Business Plan.

7 General Business

7.1 Matters for Decision:

7.1.1 Assistant U21 Coordinator to be included in U21 Sub-Committee:

Terms of Reference for U21 Sub-Committee to be referred to the U21 Coordinator and Assistant U21 Coordinator.

7.1.2 Nominations:

Janelle Morris's nominations to the Constitution Review Working Group and the Marketing & Publicity Sub-Committee were endorsed.

Robin Russell's nomination to the position of Assistant to the Treasurer was endorsed.

Extract 250616 Briefing Paper 7.1.5 Appointed Officer Positions.

Attached as Annex D

Assistant to the Treasurer Job Description to be drafted.

Action Council Nominations Sub-Committee

7.1.3 Marketing & Publicity Flag Design Submission:

Resolved that design for new flag at Victorian Croquet Centre be option 2 as submitted by Marketing & Publicity Sub-Committee (rectangular design with new logo and Croquet Victoria text).

7.2 Matters for Discussion:

7.2.1 Croquet Australia 2026 Annual General Meeting:

Resolved that Croquet Victoria Kate Patrick be Croquet Victoria's Delegate to the Croquet Australia Annual General Meeting - 6 May 2026.

Possible Forum topics:

- support for livestreaming of national events by Croquet Australia
- resolution of inappropriate merging of member profiles.

8.13 pm Joan Loorham leaves meeting.

8 Other Business

8.1 Victorian Croquet Centre Under Stair Storage:

Peter Binks (Geelong Alternate Regional Director) reported that he would not proceed with the design and quote previously sought unless advised otherwise.

8.2 Meeting Recap:

- endorsed in principle capital items expenditure upon review
- approved two nominations to Sub-Committees
- approved nomination for Assistant to Treasurer
- Victorian Croquet Centre flag design approved
- Croquet Australia Forum questions discussed
- approved in principle livestreaming of Victorian events - input from Tournament & Fixtures Sub-Committee re schedule of events to be livestreamed
- understairs design discussed.

9 Close Meeting 8.23 pm

1 Next Meetings

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2026

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

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

FINANCIAL REPORT FEBRUARY 2026

The following financial reports are attached:

- Summary Profit and loss for eleven months ended 28 February 2026 against prior year and budget
- Balance Sheet as at 28 February 2026
- JBWere Monthly report Summary February 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 February is \$234,869 compared to a budgeted deficit of \$(81,166) and \$108,301 last year. The overall result, including positive Investment market movement, is \$736,284 compared to a budget of \$1,333 and \$351,882 this time last year.

Income

- The JB Were investment portfolio income YTD is \$388k compared to budget of \$199k and \$212k last year.
- VCA Affiliation fees for new members were billed during the month and are slightly above budget due to more new members this period than in the same period last year.
- Player insurance of \$9.6k was billed to clubs during the month.
- Catering and bar revenue is lower than budgeted, matched by lower than budgeted catering and bar expenses.
- The unrealised gain on the Investment portfolio YTD is \$501k, much higher than expected for the year to date. However, this has reduced in the first half of March as the portfolio dropped by approx. \$215k in line with overall market decreases.

Expenses

- MYOB and Admin support and Committees continue to be lower than budget.
- During February, we spent \$5,300 on development initiatives, paying \$3,000 to Warrnambool Croquet Club to assist with lawn upgrades and the remainder to fund live-streaming training which occurred during the GC Presidents 8s.
- We also paid \$1,000 to support an U21 attending the national U21 competition in Tasmania.
- We paid \$6,556 for scarifying and top dressing at VCC.
- Differences in other expenses are mainly due to timing.

Balance Sheet

- Net Assets at 28 February were \$10,179,197 compared to \$9,630,046 at February last year. The movement in Net Assets for the eleven months is an increase of \$736k.
- See attachment for summary pages of the JB Were portfolio at 28 February showing the value of \$6,374,620 an increase of \$692k since the end of March. This is net of \$40k drawn down to the bank account as approved at the last Council meeting.
- Accounts receivable of \$5,402 is predominantly affiliation fees and insurance cost recovery billed during the month.
- Accounts payable of \$15,254 includes court renovations and payment to Warrnambool CC noted above and approx. \$3k for repairs and maintenance.

Cash Outlook

The operating bank account was \$71k at month end which included the \$40k drawn down from the investment portfolio. As of today it is \$55k. I will continue to monitor cash income and expenditure and advise at the next Council meeting if more funds are needed.

Other

The Finance and Investment Committee has not met since the last Council meeting.

Claire Keating
Treasurer
14 March 2026

Victorian Croquet Association Inc.
Profit & Loss vs Budget and Prior year

April 2025 To February 2026

	Year to date	Budgeted	\$ Difference	Last Year	\$ Difference
INCOME					
JBWERE	\$388,290.49	\$199,000.00	\$189,290.49	\$212,695.34	\$175,595.15
VCA AFFILIATIONS	\$106,029.53	\$100,254.55	\$5,774.98	\$101,406.81	\$4,622.72
CA AFFILIATIONS/INSURANCE	\$121,804.37	\$121,090.90	\$713.47	\$106,513.67	\$15,290.70
MERCHANDISE/PENNANT	\$1,589.84	\$1,950.00	(\$360.16)	\$3,043.60	(\$1,453.76)
TOURNAMENTS	\$14,015.00	\$10,180.00	\$3,835.00	\$14,310.95	(\$295.95)
CATERING/BAR	\$2,656.41	\$5,400.00	(\$2,743.59)	\$6,958.72	(\$4,302.31)
PREMISES/COURTS/RENT	\$22,045.64	\$28,500.00	(\$6,454.36)	\$25,264.01	(\$3,218.37)
BEQUESTS/DONATIONS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,045.00	(\$1,045.00)
GRANTS	\$11,319.46	\$8,600.00	\$2,719.46	\$24,577.75	(\$13,258.29)
Total INCOME	\$667,750.74	\$474,975.45	\$192,775.29	\$495,815.85	\$171,934.89
Gross Profit	\$667,750.74	\$474,975.45	\$192,775.29	\$495,815.85	\$171,934.89
EXPENSES					
CA AFFILIATIONS/INSURANCE	\$118,308.78	\$121,090.90	(\$2,782.12)	\$109,282.72	\$9,026.06
ADMINISTRATION VCA	\$71,843.66	\$78,259.00	(\$6,415.34)	\$42,702.02	\$29,141.64
COMMITTEES	\$12,310.47	\$52,630.00	(\$40,319.53)	\$3,534.85	\$8,775.62
COUNCIL/COM travel	\$1,933.10	\$2,200.00	(\$266.90)	\$1,952.51	(\$19.41)
GRANTS	\$11,396.93	\$8,000.00	\$3,396.93	\$25,983.54	(\$14,586.61)
UNDER 21S SCHOLARSHIP	\$4,269.58	\$5,300.00	(\$1,030.42)	\$872.82	\$3,396.76
TOURNAMENTS	\$5,128.65	\$6,410.00	(\$1,281.35)	\$6,611.54	(\$1,482.89)
MERCHANDISE/PENNANT	\$1,816.34	\$3,000.00	(\$1,183.66)	\$4,588.22	(\$2,771.88)
VCC BUILDING	\$141,812.82	\$178,711.00	(\$36,898.18)	\$130,465.87	\$11,346.95
CATERING/BAR	\$1,202.31	\$4,000.00	(\$2,797.69)	\$2,920.62	(\$1,718.31)
VCC COURTS	\$47,437.29	\$82,450.00	(\$35,012.71)	\$45,599.95	\$1,837.34
STATE TEAMS G & A	\$15,420.90	\$14,090.91	\$1,329.99	\$13,000.01	\$2,420.89
Total EXPENSES	\$432,880.83	\$556,141.81	(\$123,260.98)	\$387,514.67	\$45,366.16
Operating Profit	\$234,869.91	(\$81,166.36)	\$316,036.27	\$108,301.18	\$126,568.73
OTHER INCOME					
Realised fair value gains(losses)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$259,988.83	(\$259,988.83)
Unrealised fair value gains(losses)	\$501,414.44	\$82,500.00	\$418,914.44	(\$16,407.22)	\$517,821.66
Total OTHER INCOME	\$501,414.44	\$82,500.00	\$418,914.44	\$243,581.61	\$257,832.83
Net Profit/(Loss)	\$736,284.35	\$1,333.64	\$734,950.71	\$351,882.79	\$384,401.56

Balance Sheet

As of February 2026

ABN: 91 903 271 264

Assets

Current Assets		
Bank Accounts		
Bendigo	\$71,229.87	
Bendigo - Grants Account Holding	\$15,493.01	
	-\$587.25	
Total Bank Accounts		\$86,135.63
Petty Cash Float		\$100.00
Total Current Assets		\$86,235.63
Accounts Receivable		
Accounts Receivable	\$5,402.93	
Total Accounts Receivable		\$5,402.93
JBWERE - Investment A/c		\$6,374,620.10
Fixed Assets		
Cairnlea - Land and site works at cost		
Building at cost	\$1,980,368.00	
Accumulated depreciation	-\$1,635,012.00	
Plant & Equipment		
Plant and Equipment	\$237,907.58	
Accumulated Depreciation	-\$174,323.98	
Total Plant & Equipment		\$63,583.60
Total Fixed Assets		\$3,740,775.60
Total Assets		\$10,207,034.26
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$15,254.81	
Total Current Liabilities		\$15,254.81
Tax Payable		
GST Collected	\$3,820.23	
GST Paid	-\$6,660.81	
Total Tax Payable		-\$2,840.58
Grant Liabilities		
Grants Received in Advance	\$15,493.01	
Total Grant Liabilities		\$15,493.01
Total Liabilities		\$27,907.24
Net Assets		\$10,179,127.02
Equity		
Reserves		
General Reserve	\$7,703,572.44	
Asset Revaluation Reserve	\$967,044.58	
Retained Earnings	\$724,361.57	
Current Earnings	\$736,284.35	
Special Funds		\$47,864.08
Total Equity		\$10,179,127.02

Victorian Croquet Association Inc - PMA

Portfolio valuation

As at 28 Feb 2026

Net portfolio value \$6,374,620.10

Asset	Quantity	Avg unit cost \$	Actual cost \$	Unit price \$	Market value \$	Portfolio weight %	Gain/loss \$	Est income ^(a) \$	Est yield ^(b) %	
Cash										
JBWCA	JBWere Cash Account	19,388.19	1.00	19,388.19	1.00	19,388.19	0.3%	-	697.97	3.6%
Totals			19,388.19		19,388.19	0.3%	-	697.97	3.6%	
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	1.0369	103,691.80	1.63%	106.80	7,393.23	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	1.0078	100,783.80	1.58%	372.80	5,492.72	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	1.0571	105,708.90	1.66%	591.90	7,061.35	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	1.0242	102,417.70	1.61%	249.70	5,981.19	5.84%
+NAB1131A	National Australia Bank Ltd Subordinated bonds FRN	100,000	1.0297	102,965.33	1.0116	101,163.50	1.59%	-1,801.83	6,059.69	5.99%
+QBE1028A	QBE Insurance Group Ltd FRN 3MBBSW+2.55% Callable 26/10/2028 Matures 26/10/2038	100,000	1.0155	101,549.00	1.0403	104,030.30	1.63%	2,481.30	6,616.33	6.36%
ETL0019AU	PIMCO GLOBAL CREDIT W	264,622.9068	0.9894	261,812.06	0.9205	243,585.39	3.82%	-18,226.67	11,667.74	4.79%
HOW0052AU	KAPSTREAM ABSOLUTE RETURN INCOME	227,608.2593	1.1903	270,930.65	1.1907	271,013.15	4.25%	82.50	12,981.53	4.79%
IOF0046AU	JANUS HENDERSON AUSTRALIAN FXD INTST	258,095.3384	1.016	262,236.21	0.998	257,579.15	4.04%	-4,657.06	12,338.04	4.79%
SUBD	VANECK AUSTRALIAN SUBORDINATED DEBT ETF	16,140	24.8998	401,882.40	25.33	408,826.20	6.41%	6,943.80	22,117.50	5.41%
Totals			1,812,656.65		1,798,799.89	28.22%	-13,856.76	97,709.32	5.43%	
Real Assets										
GLIN	ISHARES FTSE GBL INFRASTRUCTURE (AUD HEDGED) ETF	4,100	29.3422	120,302.95	31.92	130,872.00	2.05%	10,569.05	3,232.54	2.47%
GLPR	ISHARES FTSE GBL PROPERTY EX AUS (AUD HEDGED) ETF	3,000	26.69	80,070.00	28.88	86,640.00	1.36%	6,570.00	2,746.49	3.17%
IOF0184AU	RESOLUTION CAPITAL GBL PPTY SECS UH SII	60,624.753	1.3265	80,418.25	1.3879	84,141.09	1.32%	3,722.84	2,995.42	3.56%
PIM6769AU	ATLAS INFRASTRUCTURE AUST FDR FD - UNHDG Price as at 26/02/2026	70,240.949	1.7251	121,172.42	1.8926	132,938.02	2.09%	11,765.60	4,732.59	3.56%
Totals			401,963.62		434,591.11	6.82%	32,627.49	13,707.04	3.15%	

Victorian Croquet Association Inc - PMA

Portfolio valuation

As at 28 Feb 2026

Net portfolio value \$6,374,620.10 continued

Asset	Quantity	Avg unit cost \$	Actual cost \$	Unit price \$	Market value \$	Portfolio weight %	Gain/loss \$	Est income ^(a) \$	Est yield ^(b) %	
Equity - Domestic										
AMC	AMCOR PLC CDI 1:1 FOREIGN EXEMPT NYSE	924	79.95	73,873.80	67.84	62,684.16	0.98%	-11,189.64	3,435.09	5.48%
APA	APA GROUP FULLY PAID UNITS STAPLED SECURITIES	5,430	9.2454	50,202.54	9.20	49,956.00	0.78%	-246.54	3,187.19	6.38%
ARG	ARGO INVESTMENTS LIMITED FPO	10,056	6.7512	67,889.79	9.16	92,112.96	1.44%	24,223.17	3,316.07	3.6%
BFL0004AU	BENNELONG EX-20 AUSTRALIAN EQUITIES	62,082.1394	2.094	130,000.00	1.96	121,680.99	1.91%	-8,319.01	5,463.48	4.49%
BHP	BHP GROUP LIMITED FPO	3,310	17.4187	57,656.06	58.41	193,337.10	3.03%	135,681.04	6,283.46	3.25%
BXB	BRAMBLES LIMITED FPO	3,230	10.38	33,527.40	25.08	81,008.40	1.27%	47,481.00	2,211.53	2.73%
CBA	COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA, FPO	840	38.64	32,457.60	174.62	146,680.80	2.3%	114,223.20	4,371.09	2.98%
COL	COLES GROUP LIMITED, FPO	2,840	17.56	49,870.40	20.56	58,390.40	0.92%	8,520.00	2,376.49	4.07%
CSL	CSL LIMITED FPO	384	283.7748	108,969.54	146.76	56,355.84	0.88%	-52,613.70	1,701.95	3.02%
HOW0020AU	WAVESTONE AUSTRALIAN SHARE	111,351.6857	1.6151	179,842.12	2.8522	317,597.28	4.98%	137,755.16	14,260.12	4.49%
IAG	INSURANCE AUSTRALIA GROUP LIMITED FPO	7,420	5.24	38,880.80	6.66	49,417.20	0.78%	10,536.40	2,470.86	5%
MQG	MACQUARIE GROUP LIMITED FPO	500	89.13	44,565.00	213.48	106,740.00	1.67%	62,175.00	3,874.66	3.63%
NAB	NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LIMITED FPO	2,740	21.9148	60,046.42	49.02	134,314.80	2.11%	74,268.38	4,741.31	3.53%
RGN	REGION GROUP FULLY PAID UNITS STAPLED SECURITIES	25,450	1.4396	36,638.93	2.31	58,789.50	0.92%	22,150.57	3,662.59	6.23%
RIO	RIO TINTO LIMITED FPO	870	28.29	24,612.30	167.33	145,577.10	2.28%	120,964.80	5,706.62	3.92%
RMD	RESMED INC CDI 10:1 FOREIGN EXEMPT NYSE	1,720	29.20	50,224.00	36.07	62,040.40	0.97%	11,816.40	639.02	1.03%
TCL	TRANSURBAN GROUP FULLY PAID ORDINARY/UNITS STAPLED SECURITIES	7,870	11.5539	90,929.07	14.34	112,855.80	1.77%	21,926.73	5,575.08	4.94%
TLS	TELSTRA GROUP LIMITED FPO	14,250	3.4615	49,326.92	5.18	73,815.00	1.16%	24,488.08	3,078.09	4.17%
WBC	WESTPAC BANKING CORPORATION FPO	3,940	16.8645	66,446.05	42.54	167,607.60	2.63%	101,161.55	6,385.85	3.81%
WDS	WOODSIDE ENERGY GROUP LTD FPO	598	29.76	17,796.48	28.31	16,929.38	0.27%	-867.10	531.58	3.14%
WES	WESFARMERS LIMITED FPO	1,450	10.8919	15,793.31	79.62	115,449.00	1.81%	99,655.69	3,417.29	2.96%
Totals				1,279,548.53		2,223,339.71	34.86%	943,791.18	86,689.42	3.9%
Equity - International										
IHVV	ISHARES S&P 500 AUD HEDGED ETF	7,020	38.3974	269,550.00	62.93	441,768.60	6.93%	172,218.60	3,489.97	0.79%
MAQ0464AU	ARROWSTREET GLOBAL EQUITY FUND	245,965.0406	1.281	315,079.90	1.6672	410,072.92	6.43%	94,993.02	7,627.36	1.86%
MAQ0557AU	WALTER SCOTT GLOBAL EQUITY HEDGED	317,484.3149	1.0079	319,984.91	1.0229	324,754.71	5.09%	4,769.80	6,040.44	1.86%
MAQ8746AU	IFP GLOBAL FRANCHISE II (H) (WHOLSL) W	133,440.9926	1.3574	181,128.02	1.4632	195,250.86	3.06%	14,122.84	3,631.67	1.86%
VAN0003AU	VANGUARD INTERNATIONAL SHARES INDEX	129,200.21	1.8346	237,032.69	3.9975	516,477.84	8.1%	279,445.15	9,606.49	1.86%
Totals				1,322,775.52		1,888,324.93	29.61%	565,549.41	30,395.93	1.61%

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Portfolio valuation

As at 28 Feb 2026

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Asset	Quantity	Avg unit cost \$	Actual cost \$	Unit price \$	Market value \$	Portfolio weight %	Gain/loss \$	Est income ^(a) \$	Est yield ^(b) %
Portfolio totals			4,836,332.51		6,364,443.83	99.81%	1,528,111.32	229,199.68	3.6%
Income declared but not paid			10,176.27		10,176.27	0.16%			
Net portfolio totals			4,846,508.78		6,374,620.10	100%	1,528,111.32	229,199.68	3.6%

(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.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Croquet Victoria Membership

3134 (12 March 2026) - highest membership since 1960's. This will drop as clubs audit their membership lists for 31 March 2026. revSport lists 3142 but this might include a few test profiles.

AGM Timeline

Reports from Executive, Appointed Officers and Sub-Committees for inclusion in the 2026 Annual Report will be called for to be with the Secretary by 8 May 2026.

Tournaments Awaiting Results

Ten Association Croquet Tournaments completed awaiting results.

Six 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.

Annual Club Survey

Thirty-three of 86 clubs have yet to complete the survey.

revSport

I provide assistance when queries re revSport come to me. A major criticism of the club website in revSport is the lack of contact details for club executives. On the previous Croquet Victoria website our clubs and community members were able to easily find these email addresses and phone numbers.

Clubs have been advised that their membership lists will be rolled over on 1 April 2026.

Game Plan

Along with Minn Stewart (Game Plan Working Group member) I attended a Game Plan information session on Thursday 12 March 2026. It appears to me that this tool is used much more widely by other sports both at club level and State Sporting Organisation level. A Club Development Officer could use this tool to focus on what area to assist a club, although clubs may consider that the Annual Club Survey does this.

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

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 March Council Meeting	
In - Email	
16 Feb 2026	SSEPevents - acknowledgement of grant submission
19 Feb 2026	Croquet Australia - Notice of Croquet Australia AGM 6 May 2026
23 Feb 2026	SRV - re requirements for sports on Anzac Day
	Governor of Victoria - thank you for Australia Day participation
	SSR Victoria - Child Safe Standards Reportable Conduct Scheme now with Social Services Regulator
1 Mar 2026	Hamilton Croquet Club - thank you for Development Initiative support
2 Mar 2026	Sandringham Croquet Club - query re keeping of competition results
4 Mar 2026	Rob Ey - use of WCF Advantage Play Croquet format
5 Mar 2026	B & J Suter - thank you for U21 support enabling participation at Hobart U21 Nationals
6 Mar 2026	SEMCA - Wheelchair availability at Victorian Croquet Centre
Various	Vicsport eBulletins, Gateball emails, SRV emails, queries re Certificates of Currency, clubs issues with revSport, Temporary Player Insurance queries
Out Email	
20 Feb 2026	Kyneton Croquet Club - congratulations on reaching 150 th Anniversary
21 Feb 2026	Regions and Clubs - seeking Survey Monkey listing of tournaments
25 Feb 2026	Sec Cc'd - Clyde Merrell - status of inspection of new mallet design
Various	distribution of eBulletins, requests for information from regions and clubs to migrate to revSport,



**Health and Safety Sub Committee Report
Council Meeting – 16th February 2026**

Current Initiatives

At its January 2026 meeting, the Health and Safety Sub Committee (H&S) reviewed the High Temperatures guidance in the revised Adverse Playing Conditions Policy adopted by Council in December 2025. H&S had already noted that the Bowls setting recommended by Croquet Australia did not seem particularly appropriate for croquet, since it was returning Moderate and High risk when subjective assessments were that conditions were more likely Extreme.

Ian Potter took a series of readings at different times of day for different sport settings and compiled a data set that H&S reviewed. The conclusion was that Equestrian was a better setting for croquet.

H&S has communicated its assessment, together with the data, to the Sydney University / Sports Medicine Australia team for consideration in developing a Croquet setting.

Meanwhile, H&S has issued a bulletin recommending use of the Equestrian setting until such time as a Croquet setting is available.

H&S is also reviewing signage around hazardous chemical storage at Cairnlea.

**Rita Jenkins
Secretary
Health and Safety Sub Committee**

CC H & S Sub Committee
Secretary Croquet Victoria

CROQUET VICTORIA

Assistant positions

Council meeting

16 June 2025

BACKGROUND

The Croquet Victoria Nominations Committee has been discussing recruitment to State positions and succession planning.

It has become apparent that some State roles require a range of skills and availability that it is difficult for a single person to provide.

In April 2022 Council created the position of Assistant Coordinator Gateball to provide support for the Gateball Coordinator. The State Code Coordinator position description was adjusted to provide that if an assistant were to be appointed, they would support the coordinator in their role and take on tasks as agreed with the coordinator.

It is now proposed to approve the appointment of an assistant in relation to other positions, including the Secretary and Treasurer as well as State Coordinators.

This idea is supported by the Nominations Committee. It has been floated with several current office holders, who have responded positively. It should result in more support for our office-holders and a pathway for continuity and possibly succession.

PROPOSAL

Council is asked to approve in principle provision for the appointment of

- 1) Assistants to the following State Appointed Officers, as per the attached amended position descriptions: State Coordinator Coaching; State Coordinator Refereeing – AC; State Coordinator Refereeing – GC; State Coordinator Under 21 Croquet; State Coordinators Handicapping.
- 2) State Handicap Recorder – subject to the development of a position description.
- 3) Assistants to support the Secretary and Treasurer in carrying out their responsibilities under the Constitution and the By Laws.

FOR DISCUSSION AND DECISION

IMPLEMENTATION

If this proposal is accepted, it is suggested that:

1. Nominations for the new assistant positions are called for by the Secretary
2. Interested members are advised to contact the relevant office-bearer to discuss the role
3. Nominations are submitted to Council via the Appointed Officer nomination form, which requires the signature of a club or regional President or Secretary.
4. In 2025, Council considers nominations as they are received. In subsequent years they would be considered at the Council meeting following the AGM, on a two-year rotation in alignment with the relevant office-bearer position.

FOR DISCUSSION AND DECISION

Kate Patrick
President