

# Squash Australia Memorandum - March (Following the 25<sup>th</sup> March Board Meeting)

## 1. General Meeting - Monday April 24th 1900 (Brisbane time)

We have recently undergone a further ASC Governance ASPR, which was very positive. The review did highlight a number of small changes that we are required to make. These Reviews are undertaken for the financial year.

With that in mind we would like to propose some simple changes to the Squash Australia Constitution, this is so we are in a good place for the new financial year, and the next ASPR review.

Attached is a marked up version of the Memorandum and Articles of Association for the organisation.

A simple overview of the changes, consist of:

- Removal of the mention of Rackets Association of Australia. This body no longer exists since the launch of the Squash Australia Limited.
- Removal of the original company officers, which was a requirement to start the company. This was an administrative requirement and no longer required.
- Amendment to minimum number of board meetings to 5, instead of 4 a year. A requirement of the ASC

I will be happy to answer any queries over these changes <a href="mailto:ceo@squash.org.au">ceo@squash.org.au</a>.

The General Meeting is proposed to take place on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 1900 (Brisbane time). More details will be circulate to the State Executive Directors and Presidents.

In addition, Squash Australia Director Dave Whan, is undertaking a State and National Constitutional review, in order to place us in a better pace with the ASC Governance review, he will be in contact directly with this.

#### 2. Working Groups and Working Group Communication

As previously advised there is currently a revision of the Working Group system, with the addition of a Membership working group. These new groups are on track to be launched at the start of May.

In the meantime the previous Working Groups are functioning on key areas.

A new initiative, to try and improve Squash Australia communication, means there will be a Working Group memorandum after each of the working group meetings, which will cover the activities of the Working Group for that quarter.

These will start ASAP, following March working group meetings.

#### 3. State Funding Agreement 2017 – 2018

Following on from consultation throughout this current financial year, please find the draft 2017/2018 agreement.

## 4. Squash Matrix

Following a six months of consultation on the Squash Matrix software, I would like to thank all Squash Matrix administrators from some really great feedback.

A report is currently being created by the events working group and Sporty HQ, based on this information.

We aim to have an improved Matrix software, integrated with the Sporty HQ solution for the start of 2018. It would be great if you can advise your pennant competitions so they can be prepared for that.

#### 5. Squash Australia Contact Points

Please find below confirmation of the Squash Australia Contact points:

Area	Staff Member	eMail	
Events	Hayden Griffiths	events@squash.org.au	
High Performance	Stewart Carson	hp@squash.org.au	
Participation	Jordan Till	particiaption@squash.org.au	
Facilities	Jordan Till	participation@squash.org.au	
Membership (All member queries)	Hayden Griffiths	membership@squash.org.au	
Education – Coach Education	Zac Alexander	education@squash.org.au	
Education – Referee Education	John Small/Jordan Till	Participation@sqush.org.au	
Profile	Richard Vaughan	ceo@squash.org.au	
Organizational Excellence and Influence	Richard Vaughan	ceo@squash.org.au	

#### 6. Squash Australia Events

Please find an update below on allocated Squash Australia events and those still available. The expression of interest application form is available online under the events policies section. The World Championship events are a pre tender. We need to chooses a successful location , to allow us to tender to the World Squash Federation.

We especially ask for interest in all WSF events for 2020 as tender close shortly. The deadline for application is **1**<sup>st</sup> **May.** Please note we have not won the WSF events in 2020 onwards. These are what is available at the moment.

We have no tender bids for the Australian Open for 2018. This event will be cancelled if we do not have an agreement before 12 months out to avoid fines with the PSA.

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Australian Open (AO) and National Graded Premier, B and D	Darwin, NT	Available	Available	Available	Available
Australian Junior Open (AJO)	Darwin, NT	Thornleigh, NSW	TBC	Gold Coast, QLD	Thornleigh, NSW
Australian Doubles Championships	Darwin, NT	MSAC, VIC	Available	Available	Available
Australian Junior Championships (AJC)	Geelong, VIC	Darwin, NT	Devonport, TAS	Canberra, ACT	TBC, WA
Oceania Junior Championships (OJC)	Auckland, NZ	Brisbane, QLD	New Zealand	Gold Coast, QLD	New Zealand
Australian Closed (AC) and National Graded A, C and E	Townsville, QLD	MSAC, VIC	Available	Available	Available
World Doubles Championships	N/A	N/A	Available	N/A	Available
World Junior Championships	N/A	N/A	N/A	Available	Available
World Women's Team Championships	N/A	N/A	N/A	Available	N/A
World Senior Championships	N/A	N/A	N/A	Available	Available
World Squash Federation AGM	N/A	N/A	N/A	Available	N/A
SA Annual Awards	Townsville, QLD	Melbourne , VIC	Available	Available	Available

The 2018 squash Australia Calendar is now published and an excel version attached. We would be grateful if you could send the State event dates back to Tara in the office as soon as possible to avoid clashes.

Please contact <a href="mailto:events@squash.org.au">events@squash.org.au</a> for more information.

## 7. 2017 Annual General Meeting

Please note the Annual general Meeting for Squash Australia is Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 1230. On Friday 3rd November there will be an Executive Meeting starting at 1000. On Saturday and Sunday morning we will have our Squash Forum. In advance of this, should there be any topics you feel would be advantageous, please advise the office.

By locking in the date early we hope you can get good flight options.

The Forum and AGM is open to all affiliated players, squash centres and clubs.