

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, 17th June 2020 via Go-to-Meeting

1. Attendance:

- **1.1 Directors:** Megan Fardon (Chair), Jim Nicholls (Deputy Chair), Don Close (Treasurer), , Geoff Crook and Max Kewish
- **1.2 Officers:** Jim Clement (Secretary), Rob Murray (Executive Officer)
- **1.3 Apologies:** Mary Marsland (prior appointment), Jacky McDonald (technical problems).
- 2. Opening: The Chair opened the meeting at 17:16 AEST

3. For Decision:

3.1.1 Australian Gateball Union: Jim Nicholls spoke to the problem and thanked John Park (NCGb) for his work regarding it. He explained that Geoff Morris has recently amended the AGU website to state that its aim is to control Gateball in Australia. Don Close spoke to the problems caused over the years in Queensland.

Jacky McDonald joined the meeting at 17:28 AEST

The Secretary queried whether a non-ACA affiliated player in an AGU organised tournament at an ACA-affiliated club would be covered by the ACA organised insurance policy. Geoff Crook suggested that the insurance policy be amended to specifically exclude cover for AGU events.

3.1.2 Proposed Resolution: The Board unanimously resolved that:

The ACA Board notes the existence of an organisation called the Australian Gateball Union (AGU).

The Board believes that the aims and actions of that organisation are incompatible with the ACA's Constitution and Codes of Conduct and declares that any official of that organisation be given a choice between continuing to remain as an official of the AGU *or* to be a member of the ACA/Gateball Australia through a state association.

Furthermore, the ACA Board reiterates its position that its National Coordinator of Gateball is its appointed Director to the World Gateball Union and the Asia Pacific Gateball Union. As such, the NCGB is expected to:

- liaise with and be the point of contact for the WGU and APGU.
- liaise with and be the point of contact for all international Gateball associations
- represent Gateball within the ACA and to national organisations, where appropriate

All ACA clubs are expected to note that they should engage with the NCGB before contacting overseas Gateball organisations.

Secretary to advise Geoff Morris (President, AGU), copies to CAQ of this resolution by registered mail requesting his reponse by 31st July 2020. **Action: Sec**

3.2 Gateball Selection Policy: Approved, subject to amendment to Attachment B, Geoff Crook, John Park and the Secretary to liaise. **Action: GC/Sec/NCGb**

- 4. Next Meetings: 8th July 2020 at 17:00 AEST
- 5. Close: The Chair closed the meeting at 18:13 AEST

Accepted as a true and accurate record

Megan Fardon

Chair, Australian Croquet Association Inc

8 July 2020