



# **MORNINGTON PENINSULA PETANQUE CLUB Inc.**

Reg.No. A0061354W

## **Draft STRATEGY PLAN**

**(to be reviewed by the Committee at its 1<sup>st</sup> December Meeting)**

### **1. Vision**

Our vision is to develop a prime Petanque Centre to promote a healthy and relaxed way of improving quality of life across all age groups and abilities. We will actively encourage and offer the opportunity for outdoor participation and social interaction to all communities between Rosebud and Mount Eliza.

### **1. Mission Statement**

Our mission is to develop and provide an outstanding outdoor sporting facility for playing, teaching and expanding the understanding of the game of Petanque.

### **2. Objectives**

- To provide a facility to offer healthy outdoor activities for all residents, including those with disabilities.
- To provide training and event management for members and community participation.
- To provide a friendly atmosphere, encouraging fellowship and companionship.
- To engage people of all ages and categories to learn, understand, support and have the opportunity of participating, in this healthy unique game.

### **3. Aim**

To investigate and obtain a suitable home base for Mornington Peninsula Petanque Club:

- To investigate and procure funding for the planning, development and completion of The Mornington Peninsula Petanque Centre.
- To initially construct seven pistes, with space to further develop the terrain as required and agreed by Members.
- To obtain a storage shed
- Investigate and erect suitable protective fencing
- Set up game schedules and timetables and communicate with members
- Encourage new members
- Promote community access and training for interested groups in the community
- In accordance with the regulations set up a working committee.

#### 4. The Game of Petanque

Petanque is an outdoor sport, which is played by many nationalities throughout the world. It is also expanding rapidly throughout Australia. There are currently 49 Clubs in Australia (22 in Victoria) with 1533 registered players, of which 50% are in Victoria. There are 6 Clubs on the Mornington Peninsula with 350+ players.

Petanque is played between two teams of 1, 2, or 3 people using boules which are metal balls of about 75mm. in diameter, and weighing about 700 grams. There are smaller boules available for juniors.

A player from the team who “wins the toss” stands in a circle of 500mm diameter and throws the cochonnet (or jack) to a distance between 6-10 metres.

A player from the first team then throws their first boule.

A player from the second team then throws his boule to try to be closer to the cochonnet. The second team continues to throw their boules until they achieve this, or run out of boules.

The first team then plays their boules in a similar manner. Once all boules have been thrown the score is recorded.

The team with a boule closest to the cochonnet scores one point. Extra points are won for any other boules that the winning team has, which are closer to the cochonnet than those of the opposition team. A game is usually played to 11 or 13 points.

#### 5. Community Groups who will benefit from the Petanque Centre

- **Mornington Peninsula Petanque Club for their home base.** The key target area for MPPC is on the western side of the Mornington Peninsula from Rosebud to Mount Eliza. MPPC is the only petanque club between Portsea and Bonbeach.

There are currently 47 members. The distribution of members is:

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- **Mornington U3A for their Petanque Classes.** These classes have 24 members who currently meet at the Mornington Botanical Rose Gardens on Monday and Tuesday afternoons. Their class sizes are capped. The Group has already approached the Shire to build pistes at Currawong, and the Rose Garden committee to build pistes at the Rose Gardens.

- **Disability groups and Carers.** Petanque is a gentle game and can be played by people with various levels of disabilities, even from a wheelchair. It is an outdoor game played in a friendly, encouraging environment.
- **All senior members** of the community who have become less agile, but still have a contribution to make, wanting to remain active and participate in the sporting, social and fund-raising activities of the Club.
- **School communities** as an expansion of their sports programmes for those unable, or prefer not, to take part in the more vigorous sporting activities offered.
- **Petanque Clubs across Victoria** and the rest of Australia, by inviting them to participate in tournaments and social games, thereby promoting our local area and supporting our tourist industry and businesses.

**6. Location**

The Mornington Peninsula Shire has offered an area over an existing double tennis court at the Moorooduc Recreation Reserve for establishment of the Mornington Peninsula Petanque Centre. This area is administered by the Moorooduc Recreation Reserve Committee on behalf of the Victorian Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning.

**7. MPPC Development Plan – To be provided**

**8. Budget – To be provided**

**9. Additional Items proposed by MPPC – to be provided**

**10. Time Table – to be provided**

**11. Actions to be taken – to be provided**

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