

NEWSLETTER SPRING 2006



92 Year Old Wins Pétanque Tournament (By Allan Sanderson)

Vincent Michelin the 92 year old patriarch of Pétanque in SA showed that he can still produce some great pétanque shots when he teamed up with Allan Sanderson to win the inaugural 1+1 Tournament at the Prospect Club.



Twenty teams, comprising one male and one female registered for the tournament. The organisers allowed 92 year old Vincent to play with Prospect stalwart, Allan Sanderson.

To everyone's surprise the unlikely combination was in top position after the three preliminary rounds, defeating some of the more highly fancied duos. After a strong performance in the quarter final, they went onto play the tournament favourites, Josie and Kevin Wright, taking advantage of a great 7-0 start. Vincent continued to point extremely well, and Allan's shooting enabled them to hold Josie and Kevin out and go onto win 13-7.

The grand final against Linda and Alain Rousse started off evenly, but with two good ends of 4 and 3 points Vincent and

Allan soon went out to a 10-3 lead. They held good form, with Vincent pointing like a demon, and soon finished off the game with a 13-4 victory.

The presentation of prizes was a rousing reception for the 92 year old, who just took it in so casually. Today was Vincent Michelin's day, one that will inspire us all to keep playing this game we all love so much while we have our good health.

Well done Vincent you are an inspiration to all of us in pétanque.

Postscript:

The following week Prospect players, Ted Robinson, Dave Ward and Mike Mulvihill defeated Tim Whelan, Sukrit Vaswani and David Lefer to win the Vince Michelin Cup at the Adelaide club.

On the Piste

Jacqueline Simone Cup 27/8/06

PRINCIPALE:

D Pierre and R Clelland defeated
R Voskamp and N Guglielmi 13 - 7

Semi-finalists:

R Sandell and J Key
T Stojic and M Leshinkas

CONSOLANTE:

J Rousse and S Williams defeated
J Albertini and C Sewer 10 - 3

Semi-finalists:

B Key and J Maloney

1+1 Cup 10/9/2006

PRINCIPALE:

A Sanderson and V Michelin defeated
A Rousse and L Rousse 13 - 8

CONSOLANTE:

M Luttrell and D Barrachina defeated
M Beaumont and R Beaumont 13 - 7

COMPLIMENTAIRE:

B Key and J Key
C Stojsic and T Stojsic

Swan Gourmet Cup 1/10/06

PRINCIPALE:

S Vaswani and T Whelan defeated
M Mulvihill and D Ward 13 - 11

CONSOLANTE:

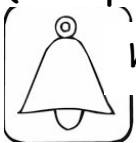
A Sanderson and V Nicoll defeated
D Pierre and R Pierre 13 - 6

COMPLIMENTAIRE:

J Weatherley and R Foster defeated
P Davies and S Ross 13 - 2

State League Round 4

(Prospect Club 8/10/06)



Warning Bell !!

Gold Division

T Stojsic/J Wright/D Pierre, defeated
T Stockley/L Oltarczy/J.P.Bouyer

Red Division

2nd J Brown/T Turpin/A Rousse,
defeated
G Clark/S Tilburg/D Watson

Blue Division

D Lefer/T Whelan/S Vaswani
defeated,
E Johns/P Mitchell/A Holmdahl

State Singles Championship

(Prospect Club 17/9/06)

MEN'S PRINCIPALE

Open

1st Greg Anderson 2nd Christian
Boizard

Complimentaire

1st Dominique Pierre 2nd Bob Sandell

Consolante

1st Paul Wilson 2nd Ralph Foster

MEN'S VETERAN PRINCIPALE

1st Arwed Turon 2nd Allan Sanderson

Complimentaire

1st Ian Clarke 2nd Graham Clarke

Consolante Allan Collinson

WOMEN'S PRINCIPALE

Open

1st Tina Stockley 2nd Raluca Raicu

Complimentaire

1st Sandy Tilburgs 2nd Wendy Benson

Consolante

1st Debra Rodda 2nd Paula Davies

WOMEN'S VETERAN PRINCIPALE

1st Judith Brown 2nd Glenis Head

Complimentaire

1st Monique Moeland 2nd Maite
Beaumont

Consolante Trudy Morris

Pétanque Australia Update

2006 World Championships Report:

Alan Irwin and Pierre Figon have provided a comprehensive and interesting report on the World Championships. In their report the writers make the following observations:

Pointing Skills

For us [Australia] to realistically have a chance to get in the top 16, we need to completely re-visit our pointing skills. We will not succeed at the 'worlds' if players cannot master the high-lob as the surface is especially made so that you cannot roll or even half-lob the ball. It does not matter how good you are at these two skills you will never achieve consistency pointing on this type of surface. Basically all of the good teams in Grenoble had players who could high-lob and they made it look very easy, teams that did not suffer.

Our big problem in Australia is that it is easier to roll or half-lob on all our

grounds hence why we only have about half a dozen players that use this most difficult skill on a consistent basis. One more reason [to support the previous argument] we need help from overseas coaches.

Endurance

One of the other big issue affecting our progress is the physical and endurance side of the competition. What usually occurs is that we start well and gradually as time progresses our performance goes down. Our players just do not have the experience of playing in these types of competitions where you start at 8am; finish as late as 12pm, and on consecutive days. Most games we played lasted anything between 1 and 3 hours.

Coming Up

- 22 October Christos Cup (triples x team)
- 5 November State League Round 5 (Eastern Suburbs Pétanque Club)
- 3 December Committee Cup (Prospect)

**For a full listing of all tournaments check the latest version of the calendar.

Licences

All members should now have their Pétanque Australia licence. Please check the following:

- a) you have signed it
- b) the Secretary has signed it
- c) the sticker is current e.g valid to 30/06/07
- d) a round yellow dot* is displayed as follows:-
 - N = players 18 to 60
 - S = senior players over 60
 - C = club use only

*If you do not have a dot.... collect one from Monique

Jean Haddy

Club members were very saddened to learn of the death of Jean Haddy last Saturday October 7.

The "two Jeans"
Jean Haddy and
Jean Colbey as they
were affectionately
known, joined the
club at its inception,
(the latter is still
hale and hearty).



Jean Colbey and
Jean Haddy had held the positions of
president and secretary of the former
Prospect Gardens Women's Bowling
Club. With the demise of their club
they wholeheartedly supported the
establishment of the new Prospect
Pétanque club, becoming Foundation
members in 1996. They attended a
number of pétanque events in the early
years. You can see a photo of the two
Jeans in the clubrooms.

Marketing

We have recently arranged for a
letterbox drop of 1,000 flyers in the
Nailsworth area - promoting our club
and pétanque

Welcome back club President

The happy
wanderers (Sue
and Brett) are
back at the end
of October.



We also await
the return of
Marty Verdonk
also travelling
overseas.

Reminder



Club Xmas Party on December 17