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Dear members,

I like to wish you all a Happy 2016 Petanque Year for you and your clubs.

I will try through this memo to clarify a few issues raised by members around the country

- **PFA officials are** your elected Board members, International and National Umpires and our National Coach.
 - o Board members, International and National Umpires and National Coach have the right to attend and access all clubs; they cannot in any circumstances be denied entry whilst an event is being held.
 - o Board members and the umpires are entitled to insure that the event is being conducted accordingly with PFA rules and regulations.
- **International Umpire**
 - o Can intervene and assist umpire of the day and officials if they judge it necessary.
 - o As FIPJP official representative they have the duty to insure that FIPJP/PFA rules of the game and regulations are complied with and respected.
- **Players**
 - o No club can refuse entry to a licensed player, whilst conducting a competition.
 - o FIPJP/PFA rules and regulations allow a licensed player to visit a club;
 - o Clubs should always make licensed players feel welcome (practice or social game)
 - o A licensed player attending a club other than his/her club regularly can be asked for a fee \$ to become a social member.
- **Affiliated Players**
 - o PFA as a FIPJP member is affiliated with the Confederation Mondiale Sports Boules (CMSB) and must comply with its rules and regulations
 - o A player holding a current player Licence from another Affiliated Federation may enter a Tournament sanctioned by Pétanque Federation Australia other than a 'Championship' (Club, State or National) event.
 - o Players licensed with Bocce and Raffa National Federation must be accepted as per above regulation.
 - o If the licensed player remains in Australia for more than 1 month, the player must have its license endorsed by their new club in Australia, if the license reaches the expiry date a PFA licence must be issued.
- **Tournaments**
 - o All tournament should have a appointed non playing or playing umpire as per PFA regulation
 - o Circles – FIPJP approved circles should be used in all events as much as possible
 - o OK Software program should be used to allow PFA Coaches to collect and ascertain results for selection purposes.