

NORTH SUBURBAN NIGHT TENNIS ASSOCIATION INC.

(Reg. No. A0015517W)



Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 29th July 2013

1. Attendances

51 Clubs Present

Clubs	AGM 29-07-13
Airport West	✓
Avondale Heights	✓
Buckley Park	✓
Bulla Village	✓
Caroline Springs	✓
Coburg	✓
Corpus Christi	✓
Craigieburn	✓
Deer Park	✓
Delahey	✓
Diggers Rest	✓
Doutta Galla	✓
East Coburg	✓
Essendon	✓
Fawkner	✓
Gladstone Park	✓
Glencairn	✓
Glenroy	✓
Green Gully	✓
Greenvale	✓
Hadfield	✓
Hillside	✓
Keilor	✓
Keilor East	✓
Keilor Park	✓
Maribyrnong Park	✓
Merlynston	✓
Mickleham Memorial	
Moomba Park	✓
Mt. Carmel	✓
North Park	✓
North Sunshine	✓
Oak Park	✓
OLN	✓
Parkville	✓
PEGS	✓
Princes Hill	✓
Riverside	✓
Royal Park	✓
St. John Bosco	✓
St. Monicas	✓
St. Olivers	✓
St. Peters	✓
St. Thereses	✓
St. Vincents	✓
Strathmore	✓
Sunbury	✓
Sydenham	✓
Taylors Lakes	✓
Tullamarine	✓
West Brunswick	✓
Westmeadows	✓

2. Apologies

Nil

3. Minutes of the Previous Meetings

The Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held 30th July 2012

Moved Alma Henshall (St Vincent's), seconded Lorraine Cram (East Keilor) that the minutes be accepted as read – Carried.

4. Business arising from previous Minutes

Change in item 10 from minutes to state that the annual affiliation fee and team fees for Spring 2012/Autumn 2013 remain at \$20 and \$30 respectively.

5. Correspondence

(a) Outwards Correspondence:

- All clubs – Agenda of July AGM
- All clubs – Minutes 2012 AGM
- 2012-13 Delegates Nomination forms to all Clubs
- All clubs – Proposed change to by-laws and dress code

(b) Inwards correspondence:

- Consumer Affairs annual renewal notice
- 2013-14 Delegates nominations Forms
- Royal Park - Concern on proposed changes to dress code
- West Lalor – Advising not re-affiliating with NSNTA

6. President's Report

An Annual Report was provided as a hand-out for Delegates reference. The President's report was included as part of the Annual Report. A summary is as follows:

- (a) Special welcome to all Life Members
- (b) Thanks to all clubs for their hard work.
- (c) Thanks to the all the Committee members for their hard work throughout the year. The Committee is always looking for volunteers to help it maintain the high level of efficiency within an ever growing competition. New volunteers are also essential for the ongoing development of the Association.
- (d) Thanks to Gabriel Pelly for all of his help with the development of new software as well as maintenance of current system and also to the Auditor for his assistance.

7. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was included as part of the Annual Report

Team fees and Affiliation fees to remain the same for Spring 2013/Autumn 2014

Moved Graham Sandman (Treasurer), seconded Lorraine Cram (East Keilor) that the Treasurer's report be accepted. – Carried.

Statement of Committee (for the year ending June 2013)

A resolution was moved by Graham Sandman (Treasurer), seconded Peter Ferguson (Craigieburn) that the Income and Expenditure Statements and Balance Sheet as attached to the Annual Report of the Association for the year ending June, 2013 be endorsed by the Committee as required by the Rules of Incorporation – Carried.

8. Match and Permit Committee Report

The Match & Permit report was included as part of the Annual Report. A summary is as follows:-

- (a) Thanks to Sue Malins for all her work in collating the information in the front of Annual Report distributed to all delegates.
- (b) Thanks to all clubs for a great effort, especially seeing as the competition has grown yet again in the past 12 months.
- (c) Thanks to all members of the M&P Committee and the Co-ordinators for their hard work throughout the year.

9. Changes to the Constitution and By-Laws:

Robert McDonald moved that By-Law 48 be replaced with the following:

Proposed By-Law 48

- (a) Opposing Captains shall check and sign the list of players' names (with particular reference to Rule 30(f)).
- (b) If any player/s is/are discovered to have deliberately played under an assumed name or to have knowingly and deliberately provided false information to the Association in relation to a match result:-
 - (i) All games won by the player will be deducted from the team's score for that match
 - (ii) The player/s will be suspended for a period of seven (7) matches. The suspension period will include Finals if the team competes in the Finals, and will carry over into the next season (depending on when the offence occurs); and
 - (iii) The Club will incur the penalty described in the attached schedule
- (c) If a suspended player plays during a period of suspension:-
 - (i) the match shall be declared a default; and
 - (ii) the suspended player's period of suspension shall be increased by four (4) matches.

In exceptional circumstances, the Match & Permit Committee shall have discretion in applying the penalties.

Seconded Ian Openshaw (Life Member)

Carried

10. Election of Committee:

Ron Morton (Merlynston) took the Chair and declared that all Committee positions were vacant. Elections were then held and the following people were nominated and elected:

President:	Peter Olney	Nominated Seconded	Sue Malins (Life Member) Pat Carmody (Sunbury)	Carried
Vice President:	Maria Keys	Nominated Seconded	Jason Nell (Royal Park) Alma Henshall (St Vincent's)	Carried
Secretary:	Toni Cudmore	Nominated Seconded	Ron Morton (Merlynston) Lorraine Cram (East Keilor)	Carried
Asst. Secretary:	Sue Malins	Nominated Seconded	Cathryn Ryan (OLN) Chris Humbert (North Sunshine)	Carried

Treasurer:	Graham Sandman	Nominated Seconded	Sue Malins (Life Member) Lorraine Cram (East Keilor)	Carried
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Match and Permit Members:

In accordance with Rule 21(1) of the Constitution, the Secretary and Assistant Secretary are automatically members of the Match and Permit Committee.

M&P Member:	Cathryn Ryan	Nominated Seconded	Alma Henshall (St Vincent's) Aaron Sharpe (Doutta Galla)
M&P Member:	Chris Humbert	Nominated Seconded	Mara Cassar (Diggers Rest) Ron Morton (Merlynston)
M&P Member:	Robert McDonald	Nominated Seconded	Aaron Sharpe (Doutta Galla) Ron Morton (Merlynston)
M&P Member:	Ian Openshaw	Nominated Seconded	Cathryn Ryan (OLN) Cameron Wilson (Keilor Park)
M&P Member:	Mara Cassar	Nominated Seconded	Lorraine Cram (Keilor East) Ron Morton (Merlynston)

All nominations for Match & Permit Committee members were accepted and carried.

Auditors:	Tony Borrell	Nominated Seconded	Graham Sandman (Treasurer) Ron Morton (Merlynston)
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Carried

Public Officer:	Toni Cudmore	Automatic	Confirmed.
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11. Fees for 2013/2014

Moved Graham Sandman (Treasurer), seconded Cathryn Ryan (OLN) that the annual affiliation fee and team fees for Spring 2013/Autumn 2014 remain at \$20 and \$30 respectively, and that fines increase from \$5 to \$10 - Carried

12. Honoraria:

Moved Peter Ferguson (Craigieburn), seconded Lorraine Cram (East Keilor) that the Honoraria for the year ending 30th June, 2013, be as follows:-

Match and Permit Chairman	\$400
President	\$300
Vice President	\$100
Treasurer	\$300
Secretary	\$400
Assistant Secretary	\$300

Carried

13. Life Membership:

Nil

14. Other Business:

(a) **Tennis Balls**

Moved Alma Henshall (St Vincent's), seconded Peter Anderson (Oak Park) to adopt the Tennis Australia list of approved balls - Carried

(b) **Uniform Dress Standards**

Proposal made by Robert McDonald as below

PROPOSED NEW DRESS CODE

Every competitive player shall dress and present himself/herself for play in clean and customarily acceptable tennis attire. **The general appearance of a player is the most important factor at this level, not specific clothing detail.**

Coloured recognised tennis type garments and footwear shall be worn, at the discretion of the NSNTA.

Clothing

Clothing items deemed to be "non-tennis articles" such as dress shirts, singlets, football shorts and jumpers, walk shorts and jeans are not to be worn by any player while competing in a match.

Sleeveless tennis shirts are permitted which are defined as "tennis shirts without sleeves" i.e. not singlets.

Track suits are permitted to be worn during a hit-up and during a match.

No writing or logo restrictions apply **except** where these are obscene or derogatory.

Shoes

Suitable footwear for tennis matches shall be worn (depending on the type of surface) at the direction of the home club.

Ripple sole, jogging, running, cricket footwear and footwear with heels or studs are not permitted.

The home club has the authority to determine that a tennis shoe's sole does not conform to such customs and standards and can prohibit its use.

- Maria Keys from Royal Park requested that the dress code remain the same in the point of: Prominent advertising, lettering or colourful decorative prints/designs on clothing (except NSNTA endorsed attire).
- Robert McDonald then stated that many brand names have prominent lettering on their clothing.
- Val White (Life Member) then stated that Tennis Victoria would allow tennis brands to be worn with lettering however no other advertising is allowed.
- Chris Humbert (North Sunshine) said that clubs are looking to put club sponsors on club shirts to promoted local companies that are sponsoring the club.
- Peter Bickle (West Brunswick) said he supports changes due to what professional tennis players wear on the court being colourful and branded and not so traditional.
After much discussion and two failed attempts to amend the above new dress code it was Carried as originally proposed above

- (c) Val White spoke about how great a job Sue Malins has done in compiling all the information in the AGM booklets given to the delegates at tonight's meeting. The President also endorsed Val's comments on behalf of the members of the Association.

Meeting Closed: 9.50 pm

Next Annual General Meeting: Monday, 28th July 2014 at 8.30 pm at Maribyrnong Park Tennis Club