

# NORTH SUBURBAN NIGHT TENNIS ASSOCIATION INC.

(Reg. No. A0015517W)



## Minutes of the General Meeting Held on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2018

### 1. Attendances

38 Clubs Present

Clubs	AGM 24-07-17	28-08-17	23-10-17	26-02-18	23-04-18
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	✓				✓
Hume	✓	✓			✓
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	✓	✓		✓	✓
Rosamond	✓		✓	✓	
Royal Park	✓		✓	✓	✓
St. John Bosco	✓		✓	✓	
St. Monicas	✓	✓	✓		✓
St. Thereses	✓	✓	✓		✓
St. Vincents	✓		✓	✓	
Strathmore	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sunbury	✓	✓	✓		✓
Sydenham	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Taylors Lakes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Tullamarine	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
West Brunswick	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Westmeadows		✓	✓	✓	✓

## 2. Apologies

Toni Cudmore (Secretary) Bob Granger (Greenvale), Robert Santacroce (East Coburg), Ian Openshaw (Life Member). Congratulations to Toni Cudmore, who has had a baby boy, Darcy Michael on 24/03/18.

## 3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Moved Lorraine Cram (Keilor East), seconded Peter Anderson (Oak Park) that the minutes of the previous meeting, which had previously been sent to all Clubs, be accepted - **Carried**.

## 4. Business arising from previous Minutes

Nil.

## 5. Correspondence

### (a) Inwards correspondence:

- North Park - change in secretary
- Keilor - protest regarding additional registration refusal Men's B-3
- Delahey - code of conduct complaint Men's C-3 vs Moomba Park
- Essendon- information regarding liquor licensing and current default rules
- Keilor - clarification of additional registration refusal Men's B-3
- Keilor east - resolution of player behaviour Men's C3 receipt
- Colin Akers - request for copy of NSNTA logo for Nelson Alexander for sponsorship for Golf Day
- Fawkner - request for letter of support for upgrade of club facilities
- Moomba Park – response to code of conduct complaint Mens C-3

### (b) Outwards Correspondence:

- Colin Akers - Copy of NSNTA logo for golf day
- Keilor - final letter regarding additional registration refusal Men's B-3
- All Clubs - Agenda April meeting
- All Clubs - Minutes February meeting
- Riverside - court lighting levels
- East Coburg - court lighting levels
- Strathmore, St Therese's, Green Gully, Royal Park, Sunbury, North Park & OLN - notification of team withdrawal Ladies B3
- Fawkner - letter of support for upgrade of facilities
- Taylors Lakes - resolution of emergency player protest Men's A-2 vs Maribyrnong Park
- St Vincent's - resolution of player behaviour Men's C3 vs Keilor East
- Keilor- notification of additional registration refusal Men's B-3
- Keilor East - complaint resolution of player behaviour Men's C3 vs St Vincent's

## 6. President's Report

Larry Pelly advised that there is plenty to report in the Match and Permit report so he would leave it until then.

## 7. Treasurer's Report

- (a) The Treasurer's Report had been distributed to the delegates.  
Moved Graham Sandman (Treasurer), seconded Rose Micallef (Riverside) – **Carried**.

(b) Bills for Payment: (Approval in Principle)

Glasses	\$5500.00
Pennants	\$4200.00
Grade Secretary Payments	\$2590.00
Court Lighting – Autumn	\$3060.00

<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>\$15350.00</b>
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Moved Graham Sandman (Treasurer), seconded Rose Micallef (Riverside) – **Carried**

St John Bosco have overpaid their fees - Graham to resolve.

A new Auditor is to be appointed – the Match & Permit Committee will accept a recommendation by Graham Sandman. Moved Colin Akers (Tullamarine), seconded Ron Morton (Merlynston) - **Carried**

## 8. Match and Permit Committee Report

### Late results

- There has been a noticeable reduction in the number of late results this season. Please pass on our thanks to teams for their efforts ensuring results are submitted on time.

### Team withdrawals

- Since the last meeting one more team has withdrawn: Keilor B Grade 3 Ladies.
- This makes a total of seven teams that have withdrawn this season.
- We remind clubs there is a \$100 withdrawal fine, so please ensure all teams are viable before teams are entered for next season.

### Additional registrations

- Additional registrations close soon:
  - Ladies Competition — Tuesday 1 May 2018 at 7.00 pm
  - Mixed Competition — Wednesday 2 May 2018 at 7.00 pm
  - Mens Competition — Thursday 3 May 2018 at 7.00 pm
- No late additional registrations will be accepted.
- So far, there have been 194 additional registrations and 49 deregistrations this season
- 8 additional registrations were refused
- We are regularly receiving additional registrations that result in more than 8 players in a Ladies or Mens team or more than 6 players of the same gender in a Mixed team and clubs were being slow to respond when he requests a deregistration. The Committee has agreed that Clubs should be advised they have 3 days to provide a deregistration, otherwise the additional registration will be refused.
- Emergencies cannot play more than three matches in total, regardless of which grades they are played in (not three matches in one grade). It is the responsibility of the Club to track how many times emergency players have played.
- Please ensure that additional registrations are submitted before players play a fourth emergency match, otherwise teams will lose games.
- Please ensure your team has enough registered, qualified players for finals. A player must be registered and have played three matches (washouts included) to be eligible to play finals.

### Notification of clubs about defaults

- Coordinators will no longer advise Club Delegates when a team gives one default, as clubs can easily check this for themselves online.
- However, Coordinators will contact Club Delegates if the same team gives two or more defaults to ensure there is not a problem with the team.

### Emergencies

- So far this season, 27 emergency players that have been deemed too strong and therefore the clubs have been warned that if they play again loss of games will be imposed.
- In clear cases, loss of games will be imposed without a warning being given.
- If a team has been given a warning in relation to an emergency player, they will not be given a second warning if a different emergency player is used that also strengthens the team. Loss of games will be imposed.
- When considering whether an emergency has strengthened a team, factors the Coordinators will consider include:
  - previous NSNTA history
  - history in other competitions (juniors, pennant, NSLTA etc.)
  - the emergency player's results on the night compared to the results of the other players in the team
  - the standard of the opposition player they played against
  - who the emergency player was replacing in the team
  - what position the emergency player played
- All emergency players are scrutinised and we do not wait until a complaint is received from the opposition.

### Details for finals

- Results of Round 14 to be phoned through to Peter Olney by 11.00 p.m. on 9354 9019.
- Aim to have finals draw up that night.
- Clubs must advise by Monday, 7 May 2018 if any courts are unavailable for finals.
- Please check if you are hosting finals and ensure someone from the Club is there to supervise the finals. Don't assume captains will automatically do this. If a club fails to fulfil its hosting duties, the lighting subsidy will not be paid
- If a club has a liquor licence that means teams cannot bring their own alcohol, please advise us by emailing [chairman@nsnta.org](mailto:chairman@nsnta.org). A list will be published with the finals draw to alert players.

### Details for team entries for next season

- Team entry sheets have not changed.
- Ensure appropriate grade applied for — particularly check on ability of new players and new teams
- Players must be listed in alphabetical order by surname
- Must have Grade Contact Sheet
- Player lists will be provided to all clubs. Please ensure player names are spelt correctly. You can copy and paste names from the player history lists into the team entry sheet.
- Please ensure all players are listed. Additional registrations will be refused if strong players are left of the team entry.
- We do not want to impose fines, however fines will be imposed for the following:
  - If the names are spelt differently to the NSNTA data base (unless you advise of a change in spelling)
  - If the names are not in alphabetical order by surname
  - If "Last Played" is showing an incorrect grade or year
  - If you leave "Last Played" blank when the player has actually played (including as an emergency)
- If you know the player comes from another club, put that information on the bottom of the sheet
- Do not put in a team with only 4 players in it
- If there is a new player to your Club, check with the Coordinators or Chairman for previous history
- **Please limit the number of special fixture requests as it makes it very difficult for the Committee to complete the draw. If too many clubs submit special requests, they cannot all be accommodated and some clubs will miss out**
- Close 8.00 pm on Friday, 15 June 2018

### Dates for next season

- Ladies – 7 August 2018
- Mixed – 15 August 2018
- Men's - 9 August 2018

## **9. General Business**

- Maria Keys spoke about Tennis Victoria's Pennant season that has just started. Junior Pennant (now Junior League) is coming up and all clubs need to encourage their juniors to play.
- Colin Akers (Tullamarine) spoke about The NSNTA Charity Golf Day, which will be held on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2018. There were 100 players last year that successfully raised \$900 for charities. Entry is \$55 per player. All Delegates were asked to promote to their clubs and were provided with flyers.
- Pat Carmody (Sunbury) spoke as a general warning to tennis club committees in the event that clubs need to deal with player behaviour issues. He advised clubs to check their Constitution and follow the correct procedures as set out in their Constitution/model rules. Refer to Tennis Australia if you would like your procedures checked. Maria Keys also mentioned that if there is an incident in the Pennant competition, there is an option to report it to Tennis Victoria.

**Meeting Closed – 9.17 pm**

### **Next Delegates' Meeting**

AGM - Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at 8.30 pm at Maribyrnong Park Tennis Club