

NORTH SUBURBAN NIGHT TENNIS ASSOCIATION INC.

(Reg. No. A0015517W)



Minutes of the General Meeting Held on 22nd August 2022 at Maribyrnong Park Tennis Club

1. Attendances

Clubs Present 41

Clubs	AGM 23-08-21	28/02/2022	02/05/2022	22/08/2022	
Aintree		✓	✓		
Airport West	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Ascot Vale	✓	✓		✓	
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			✓	✓	
Green Gully	✓	✓	✓		
Greenvale	✓		✓		
Hadfield	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Hillside	✓	✓	✓		
Hume	✓	✓		✓	
Keilor			✓	✓	
Keilor East	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Keilor Park	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Maribyrnong Park	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Merlynston	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Moomba Park	✓	✓			
Mt. Carmel	✓	✓	✓	✓	
North Park	✓	✓	✓	✓	
North Sunshine	✓	✓			
Oak Park	✓	✓	✓	✓	
OLN	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Parkville	✓	✓	✓		
PEGS	✓	✓	✓		
Princes Hill		✓	✓	✓	
Royal Park	✓	✓	✓	✓	
St. John Bosco	✓	✓	✓	✓	
St. Monicas	✓		✓	✓	
St. Thereses	✓	✓	✓	✓	
St. Vincents	✓	✓		✓	
Strathmore	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Sunbury	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Sydenham	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Taylors Lakes	✓	✓		✓	
Tullamarine	✓	✓	✓	✓	
West Brunswick		✓	✓		
Westmeadows	✓	✓	✓	✓	

2. Apologies

Hillside, Sydenham, Green Gully, Hadfield, Russel Baldry (Secretary)

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Moved Ron Morton (Merlynston) seconded Maria Keys (Life Member) 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

Inwards correspondence:

- Sport and Recreation Victoria
 - Get Active Kids Voucher Program advice
 - Sporting Club grants available
 - Athlete Pathway Travel Grants available
- Tennis Victoria
 - News — June 2022, July 2022
 - Grant opportunities
 - Advice on first Association forum
 - Advice on Affiliation renewals
 - Management Liability Insurance Declaration request
- PEGS – advice on visitors no longer requiring vaccinations
- Maribyrnong Park TC – Protest B Special 4 Mens
- Gladstone Park TC – advice of new convenors
- Princes Hill – Query re changing outcomes for forfeits
- State Member for Sydenham – advice on Local Sports Infrastructure Fund
- Gladstone Park TC – Clubrooms expected to be unavailable from August due to renovations
- Request for letter of support from Brimbank council for funding of LED lights at Deer Park TC
- Commission for Children and Young People – advice of new Child Safe Standards
- Some clubs – Delegate nomination forms
- Pellysoft – maintenance contracts for July 2022/June 2023

Outwards Correspondence:

- All Clubs
 - Agenda, previous minutes, delegate nomination forms and Treasurer's report for AGM 25th July 2022
 - Agenda, previous minutes for Delegates meeting 22nd August 2022
- Some Clubs
 - Team Withdrawal – Mens B Special 3 Delahey
 - Team Withdrawal – Mens C Grade 4 St Monicas
 - Team Withdrawal – Mens D Special Ascot Vale
 - Team Withdrawal – Mixed C Special 2 Maribyrnong Park
- Maribyrnong Park TC – Result of protest B Special 4 Mens
- Buckley Park TC and Avondale Park TC – Code of Conduct complaint outcome
- Management Liability Insurance Declaration completed for Tennis Vic
- Letter of support to Brimbank council for funding of LED lights at Deer Park TC

6. President's Report

Larry mentioned the petition to save OLN Tennis Club – please support – the link will be posted on the NSNTA Website.

The glasses for the Autumn 2022 season are to be collected after the meeting.

7. Treasurer's Report

(a) The Treasurer's Report had been distributed to the delegates.

Moved Graham Sandman (Treasurer), seconded Surinder Dhar (Taylors Lakes) – **Carried.**

(b) Bills for payment:

PellySoft	\$535.00
Winning Edge Engraving	\$44.00

Total	\$579.00
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(c) Fees are due 7pm 13/09/2022 – some Clubs have not yet paid – refer to the website.
If Clubs are unfinancial after the closing date, no points will be awarded to winning teams and these points cannot be returned once payment is received.

8. Match and Permit Committee Report

Finals

- Thanks for all clubs for ensuring last season's finals all ran smoothly
- We had a couple of close finals that ended in a draw — even on games and three sets each. In that situation a tie break is played between the players listed in the sixth set on the result sheet. Further details can be found on the NSNTA website: <http://nsnta.org/finalstiebreak.html>

Team entries

- Team entries for this season — 509 teams — 64 grades
 - 120 teams in Ladies — down 2 teams and 1 grade
 - 128 teams in Mixed — up 4 teams
 - 261 teams in Men's — up 4 teams

Team withdrawals

- We have had four team withdrawals this season:
 - Mixed — C Special 2 — Maribyrnong Park
 - Mens — B Special 3 — Delahey
 - Mens — C Grade 4 — St Monicas
 - Mens — D Special — Ascot Vale
- Regrettably, there was already a Bye in D Special Mens, so there are now two byes in that grade.

Players being registered without their consent

- We have had multiple instances of players being registered without the club checking with the player that they intend to play again
- As previously advised, once grading has been completed players are locked into the club that has registered them and they cannot play for another club.
- However, club has registered a player without their consent, the club will be fined \$40 and the player released.

Supper

- Given the ongoing COVID-19 situation, supper will remain optional for the Spring 2022 season.

Additional registrations

- 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 keep track

of how many matches emergencies have played. Please ensure that additional registrations are submitted before players play a fourth match, otherwise teams will lose games.

- We have already received 60 additional registrations and 10 deregistrations in the first three rounds of this season.
- Clubs are reminded that once teams have been graded, the additional registration and emergency rules apply, which means players cannot strengthen teams. This means that if, for example, the best or second best player in a team is left off the team entry form, and the team is graded without them, they will be refused additional registration as they will strengthen the team after grading. It is therefore very important that you check your team entries to ensure all players are included.
- Emergency players:
 - Where it is clear an emergency has strengthened a team, teams will be penalised with loss of games.
 - If a team is told not to play a particular emergency player again, and the team then plays a different emergency who also strengthens the team, a second warning will not be given. Loss of games will be automatically imposed. This carries over between seasons. Loss of games will still occur when the team was told not to play the emergency player in a previous season.
 - Where an emergency player is told not to play again in a particular grade, and plays in a higher grade and again strengthens the team, a second warning will not always be given. Coordinators will look at how much higher the grade was and how much the player strengthened the team.

Spring 2022 team fees

- Fees and Payments must be received by the Treasurer no later than 7.00 pm on Tuesday, 13 September 2022.
- Late payment will result in loss of match points.

Light testing

- Thanks to Ian Openshaw who has continued to progress our light testing program. We are currently up to date and all clubs have been tested within the last three years.
- If we send you a letter about your lighting levels, please respond advising of your club's plans. A simple email acknowledging you have received the letter and are looking into it is appreciated.
- If your club has lights out, please let Ian know before he comes to test so he can reschedule.
- We have noticed some clubs with LED lights have had their lighting levels deteriorate faster than expected. Advice back from the lighting companies is that they need to be cleaned periodically. Clubs that have cleaned their lights have noticed a significant improvement.

Match results

- Please encourage captains to print the names of emergency players – first name and surname.
- Please also encourage them to check that their devices don't autocorrect names to the wrong details before they submit the result.
- Coordinators are spending lots of time chasing up correct player names.

Washouts

- Delegates should familiarise themselves with the requirements of the NSNTA Washout Procedures - <http://nsnta.org/washout.html>
- We are aware it was very challenging for Delegates last Thursday when it did not rain at most venues until around 6.30 pm
- Please ask your teams to be understanding that Delegates have other commitments and may not always be able to coordinate washouts at short notice
- If Delegates cannot be contacted to arrange a washout in advance, all players need to turn up at the venue and captains can then agree a washout

Relocation of matches

- Please remember that matches cannot be relocated from the venue listed on the fixture without the Match and Permit Committee's approval in advance
- If a match needs to be relocated, please contact the Chairman or the relevant Competition Coordinator

9. General Business

- Maria Keys (Life Member) gave a report from Tennis Victoria:
 - Nominations for Annual Awards – closing date 29/08/22, winners announced Late October
 - AJL season is just starting

Meeting closed at 9.19 pm

Next Delegates' Meeting

Monday 24th October 2022 at 8.30pm – Maribyrnong Park Tennis Club