

NORTH SUBURBAN NIGHT TENNIS ASSOCIATION INC.

(Reg. No. A0015517W)



Minutes of the General Meeting Held on 27th September 2010

1. Apologies

39 Clubs present

Taylors Lakes, Gladstone Park, Hadfield and Peter Olney

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Moved Cathryn Ryan (OLN), seconded Mara Cassar (Diggers Rest) that the minutes of the previous meeting, which had previously been sent to all Clubs, be accepted - Carried.

3. Business Arising from previous Minutes

Nil

4. Correspondence

(a) Outwards Correspondence:

- All Clubs – Minutes June Meeting.
- Agenda for September meeting to all clubs
- All Clubs – Stuffing night
- PEGS – Court Safety issues
- Deer Park – Incorrect score cards
- Craigieburn, OLN, Sydenham, Tullamarine, Moomba Park, Oak Park and Mickleham Mem. – Withdrawal Mixed C2 North Sunshine

(b) Inwards correspondence:

- Tennis Vic – Information on new website
- Taylors Lakes – Apology for September meeting
- Sunbury – Complaint Mens B+1 Grenvale
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- Greenvale – Change in secretary details
- Buckley Park – Change in Secretary details
- Tullamarine – notice of incident ladies B1 Craigieburn
- Essendon – Clarification on spelling of players names
- NSTA – Website details
- Gladstone Park – Website details
- Tennis Vic – Minutes of August meeting
- North Sunshine – Withdrawal of mixed C2 team
- Gladstone Park – Apologies for September meeting
- Keilor East – Change in Secretary details
- Tennis Vic – Associations Specific focus groups
- Glencairn- Possible renovations
- Tennis Vic – Reminder August meeting
- Tennis Vic – Affiliation renewal notice
- Tennis Vic – Receipt of affiliation fees
- Tennis Vic – Council and board management notice
- Delahey – Works to courts, change of location for some matches and nomination form

5. President's Report

- Maria spoke briefly about the current season and how the weather has cause a few washouts which is something we are unfamiliar with after the drought. We are at the half way mark of the season and Robert will speak further about the progress with the online results system.
- Match and Permit committee has been busy dealing with issues to do with emergencies and player behaviour.

6. Treasurer's Report (refer to attached report)

- (a) Moved Graham Sandman (Treasurer), seconded Rob Haines (Parkville) that the Treasurer's Report be accepted – **Carried**.
- (b) Approval was sought for the following accounts to be passed for payment and payment made:

Cathryn Ryan Light testing allowance — \$356.68
Robert McDonald Stationary — \$43.50

Moved Graham Sandman (Treasurer), seconded Shirley Peaker (Moomba Park) that the accounts be passed for payment and payment made – **Carried**.

7. Match and Permit Committee Report

- First season using the online results system – feedback from players has been that it is user friendly. So far most results have been entering correctly and promptly. One issue that has arisen is that teams seem to be doing either entering the results online and not posting the cards or vice versa. A reminder was given to all clubs to make sure that they comply with both methods promptly.
- Emergencies have been an issue where players full names are not being online. Please remember that we need all player names and previous playing history. Played up player has been added into the drop down box online. This is to be used when a player registered in a lower grade plays in a higher grade as a once off. Please provide the grade that the played up player is currently registered in.
- When a player doesn't turn up the team does not just lose those sets 6–0. Under the by-laws the match becomes a default. The name of the player that did not turn up should be crossed out on the card and listed as Default online.
- Please make sure you don't select the same player twice online. Hopefully the online system will altered send an error message notifying you if you try to do this.
- Next season it is hoped that we can do away with the result cards. We are going to give out a result card books with carbon copies provided for the away team. There will be a chance for the losing team to verify or protest the result if requested. It is hoped that all results will be received within 48 hours which will allow results to be available sooner. The result card books will have 9 score sheets available to be used in finals rather than having to post out to host clubs.
- There have been a few washouts so far this season. Some teams have queried what defines a washout. It is stated in the rules that all four players must attend the courts to declare a washout. If a club official, (not a team captain) deems that the courts are unplayable then they can call the opposition to ask for a wash out. The home team is responsible for getting the four names of the opposition that would've played and submit the results. If all four players are not in attendance then the team that does have all four players will be awarded the match. There are no plans to change the washout policy at this stage.
- Cathryn Ryan and Ian Openshaw have been undertaking light testing at clubs. They have completed approximately half of the clubs. It has been mentioned about changed the current lighting policy as there is currently a tier system for clubs prior to 1997. We are going to formally propose to change this to have only one lighting level across the board. We will be allowing clubs 12 months to make the relevant modifications to their lights to get them up to standard. This standard will be 200 lux across the board. Through the testing already undertaken it has been noted that there have been other influencing factors that are affecting lighting levels. Clubs have been issues with reports if problems have been found.
- If court surfaces are deemed unsafe, lighting levels are too low or the court location then courts are banned. There is a list available on the net of the current banned courts.
- If matches need to be relocated we do advise club to seek alternate facilities however the Association must be advised of these changes.
- Clubs have advised the committee of incorrect spelling on some of the pennants. We do take the spelling of the names off the back of the sheets from grand final results. Graham Sandman will be taking some pennants to be changed next week so if any changes need to be made please contact Graham.

- Team entries will close 3rd December at 8.00 p.m.
- Additional Registrations will appear on the player list online if they are registered. Closing dates are Ladies 26/10 Mens 28/10 and Mixed 3/11.

8. General Business

1. Tennis Victoria Council Meeting held in August. Ian Clarke the CEO has tendered his resignation after 5 years in the job. He leaving to start up his own business. Selection for his replacement has began. Maria then gave an overview on current information with Tennis Victoria and Tennis Australia.

Meeting Closed - 9.45 pm

Next Delegates' Meeting – Monday, 15th November 2010 at 8.30 pm at Maribyrnong Park Tennis Club