

NORTH SUBURBAN NIGHT TENNIS ASSOCIATION INC.

(Reg. No. A0015517W)



Minutes of the General Meeting Held on 24th August 2015

1. Attendances

36 Clubs Present

Clubs	AGM 27-07-15	24-08-15	26-10-15	22-02-15	26-04-15
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	✓				
Riverside	✓	✓			
Rosamond	✓	✓			
Royal Park	✓	✓			
St. John Bosco		✓			
St. Monicas	✓	✓			
St. Thereses	✓				
St. Vincents	✓	✓			
Strathmore	✓	✓			
Sunbury	✓				
Sydenham	✓	✓			
Taylors Lakes	✓	✓			
Tullamarine	✓	✓			
West Brunswick	✓	✓			
Westmeadows	✓	✓			

2. Apologies

Leo Ibrahim (Sydenham) and Neil Tierney (Hillside)

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Moved Colin Akers (Tullamarine), seconded Coleen Taylor (Corpus Christi) 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:

- Fawkner – Protest about emergencies used in Mens C-4
- Tennis Vic – New President & Board composition
- Gladstone Park – Player eligibility
- Tennis Vic – Draft minutes August Forum
- Sunbury – Change in Mixed delegate
- Hume Tennis and Community Centre – Requesting association to inspect facilities
- Craigieburn – Request to move matches to new facility
- Tennis Vic – Tennis Vic participation leader
- Tennis Vic – August News
- Westmeadows – Change in Secretary
- Tennis Vic – Reminder for August Forum
- Tennis Vic – Receipt of payment for Affiliation fees and approval
- Maribyrnong Park – Change in Secretary
- Tennis Vic – Call for Director & President Nominations
- Tennis Vic – Competition delivery notice
- Tennis Vic – Agenda for August Forum
- Essendon – Notification of lights requiring re-testing
- Deer Park – Receipt of advice regarding player behaviour
- Tennis Vic – Affiliation renewal notice
- Royal Park – Receipt of receiving lighting levels letter
- St Monicas – Compliant ladies B2 vs Westmeadows
- Westmeadows – Response to complaint ladies B2 vs St Monicas
- Tennis Vic – Minutes June Forum
- Tennis Vic – Reminder June Forum
- East Coburg – Regarding loss of points
- Tennis Vic – Fast 4 Workshop for May withdrawn
- Sunbury – Receipt of notification regarding lighting
- Westmeadows – Ideas for improving current By-laws
- Delahey – Change in Delegate
- Tennis Vic – Plans on expansion to current competitions

(b) Outwards Correspondence:

- Gladstone Park – Response to player eligibility enquiry
- Hume Tennis – Possibility of light testing at venue
- Westmeadows – Response to changing By-law
- Strathmore – Lighting levels
- Royal Park – Lighting levels

- Westmeadows – Copy of complaint Ladies B2 vs St Monicas
- St Monicas – Outcome of complaint Ladies B2 vs Westmeadows
- Westmeadows – Outcome of complaint Ladies B2 vs St Monicas
- Essendon – Outcome of complaint Mixed A-2 vs Deer Park
- Deer Park – Copy of complaint Mixed A-2 vs Essendon
- Tennis Vic – Response to competition delivery advice
- East Coburg – Response to loss of points
- Diggers Rest – Lighting levels
- Bulla Village – Lighting levels
- Sunbury - Lighting levels
- All Clubs – Notification of pick up night
- Deer Park and Essendon – Resolution of complaint Mixed A-2
- All Clubs – Minutes of April meeting
- All Clubs – Agenda for August meeting
- Westmeadows, Keilor Park, North Park, West Brunswick, St Monicas, Sunbury & Green Gully – Notification of team withdrawal Merlynston Mixed B-1

6. President's Report

Larry Pelly asked Clubs for any volunteers for Match & Permit Committee as there is a vacant position on the committee at this stage.

Many on court behavioural issues were addressed at Match & Permit Committee meeting. Please remind all players regarding acceptable standards of behaviour.

7. Treasurer's Report

(a) The Treasurer's Report had been distributed to the delegates. Moved Graham Sandman (Treasurer), seconded Rob Haines (Parkville) that the Treasurer's Report be accepted – **Carried.**

(b) Bills for Payment:

Mobile Phone re-charge	\$40.00
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Moved Graham Sandman (Treasurer), seconded Rob Haines (Parkville) – **Carried.**

Reminder to all clubs that fees are due by 8th September at 7pm

8. Match and Permit Committee Report

- Robert McDonald was elected as Chairman of Match & Permit at meeting earlier this evening. The Match Committee (the three people who can make urgent decisions between meetings of the full Match and Permit Committee) is Cathryn Ryan, Robert McDonald & Ian Openshaw.
- We had a few issues last season with washouts in finals. The By-laws were updated at the Annual General Meeting so hopefully the process will be clearer in the future.
- Team entries for this season:
 - 527 Teams – 66 Grades
 - 136 Teams in Ladies – down 6 teams and 1 grade
 - 141 Teams in Mixed – down 1 team
 - 250 Teams in Men's – down 5 teams
- There has been 1 team withdrawal so far: Mixed B-1 Merlynston.
- Light testing is continuing. Clubs to be tested next are Caroline Springs, PEGS, Rosamond, Mt Carmel, Coburg, Gladstone Park and then North Park, Oak Park, Westmeadows, Fawkner, Glenroy, Riverside, Keilor, Essendon and Taylors Lakes to follow.
- There have already been 54 additional registrations and 19 de-registrations this season. Many of these are due to players being left off team entries. Please take extra care to ensure all players listed on team entries in future. Please also ensure that additional

registrations are submitted before players play a fourth match, otherwise teams will lose games.

- As advised at the AGM, changes have been made so that comments typed in the comments box no longer publish online, they only go to the co-ordinator. This has resulted in some queries from players as to why information such as injured players and washouts are not online. Please explain to players that this information will no longer be published online. If you believe information about a match result is missing please check with the co-ordinator.
- We have made some changes to the ladder format so that games won and lost as well as percentages will be available online. The men's ladder currently has this new format available online. We are interested in feedback from teams and clubs as to whether this is useful so we can decide whether to introduce it for the other competitions.
- Fees must be received by the Treasurer no later than 7pm on the 8th September 2015. Failure to pay all fees in full will result in a loss of match points.
- There have been some ongoing issues in the Mens A Grade. The Committee had decided to hold a meeting with all the club's Presidents and Mari Keys, Larry Pelly & Robert McDonald. The aim of the meeting is to make the clubs aware of the problems the Association is continuously facing with this particular group of players and to seek the assistance of Clubs to address these issues.
- There have been quite a few defaults already this season. It has been noted that the same club has given defaults in different grades on the same night. We believe that if the Club's delegate had been advised rather than the team's captains calling the default through to the opposing club, they may have been able to play one of the matches using played up players. Please put in the comments section of the results form online who advised of the default and which Club.
- The Hume Community Tennis Centre have not asked to be affiliated with the NSNTA at this stage so no inspection has been carried out in an official capacity. They have advised that they do want to be available to host matches in cases where Clubs need to relocate matches at short notice. The Match and Permit Committee would prefer matches to be relocated to an existing NSNTA approved venue, but we have decided the Hume Tennis Centre may be used in circumstances where another venue cannot be found. Clubs must always notify the Association before relocating matches, in accordance with the By-laws.

9. General Business

- Maria Keys provided a Tennis Victoria Report. There is a new President who has just taken office as the previous President has resigned after a year in office. The new President is Gary Clark. This will have some bearing on the elections of Directors at the AGM in October. When the nominations closed there were 4 nominees but with Gary Clark being elected as President there will be no need for an election.
- Fast 4 pilots have been run to see if there was interest for the competition. All the findings from the pilots will be taken back to Tennis Australia and a new format developed. More discussion will occur at NSNTA committee level about this format.
- Colin Akers from Tullamarine spoke about the Golf Day on 4th October 2015. We need more teams to be able to get the day going. Information is on the NSNTA website.

Meeting Closed – 9.15 pm

Next Delegates' Meeting

Monday, 26th October 2015 at 8.30 pm at Maribyrnong Park Tennis Club