

GOSFORD DISTRICT TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of JUNIOR SUB-COMMITTEE meeting held 30th October, 1996.

Members Present: Dennis Stimson, Stephen Gibson, Ross McKenzie, Neil Packer, Matthew Roberts, Ove Thapper.

Apologies: Vicki Dowse, Kerryn Maraga, Garth Morgan.

Meeting Opened 7:45 p.m.

In the absence of the secretary, it was agreed that Mr Roberts take the minutes of this meeting.

Business Arising:

Business arising was held over until the next meeting because there were no minutes of the last meeting at this stage.

Correspondence:

No correspondence out or in since the last meeting.

Squad Report:

**** Squad Director Mr Gibson reported that the squads have altered slightly in 4th term.**

Tara Fernandez (Tues), Paul Roberts & Prahlad Strickland (Wed), Alana Slingsby (Thurs) and James Wain (Fri) have all pulled out for 4th term. Sandy Jackson and Corinna Frankham are injured at the moment.

There was discussion as to whether to replace these players or leave the squads as is.

Mr Roberts suggested that the Wednesday squad be filled with two older boys from the Friday squad.

Mr Gibson will invite Nathan Gilbert-Smith & Paul Dunningham.

Mr Stimson suggested that we should leave the other squads untouched because of sufficient numbers.

**** A visit by State Coach Craig Miller and Tennis NSW Development Officer, Simon Woinarski has been arranged next week for our region. They will be visiting Gosford Association on Monday & Wednesday afternoons from 3:30p.m. Our squads have been notified. Mr Woinarski wished to address our Junior Sub-Committee from 6.30p.m. to 7:30p.m.**

Sunday Morning Competition

**** Not a lot of tennis of late because of weather and school holidays. Mr Gibson will organise trophies for the Sunday Morning Championships and the Sunday Morning Comp. Finals are set down for December 8.**

**** Mr Stimson reported that all matches set down for Woy Woy for the rest of the competition have been transferred to Gosford. The captains have been notified, and there was brief discussion about this.**

McDonalds Regional Committee

There was a meeting held at Broadmeadow on September 29 attended by only 6 voting members of the region. As discussed at our previous meeting S.Mayles & J.Clancy were invited to submit their resumes for Regional Squad. S.Mayles is now in the Regional Squad. Other points to be raised at this meeting were:-

**** Gosford's round robin dates are February 9 & March 9, 1997. As there were no takers in the meeting, Mr Gibson to remain the round robin contact.**

**** Champion of Champions format, allocation of Singleton points, State Carnival rep team reserves & State Carnival uniform levy was also discussed at this meeting.**

Interdistrict

** Mr Gibson attended a Grand Council meeting in Sydney. It has been decided that the qualifying date of birth for juniors will revert back to the June 1st date for 1998.

** There was extensive discussion as to how many Interdistrict teams we should be entering in future years. The Main Body has expressed concern about the number of junior teams that the Association enters. It was the feeling of the meeting that our sub-committee should be the committee that recommends the number of junior teams that participates each year.

** Mr Roberts reported that all HVCC Interdistrict money has been paid back by the managers. He will also arrange payment of \$24 to Matthew Pye (16 Boys #2 team) that we owe.

Age Championships

Tournament Director, Mr Roberts reported that the entries were excellent. He said that this year a lot of work was involved and thanked Tony Stuckey, Pat Healy (Tennis Committee) and Ross McKenzie (junior) for their assistance. There were no major incidents in the junior championships and the tournament was completed in only 4 days this year.

Mr Roberts to arrange the names on the honour board.

Junior Results

** Gosford juniors continue their outstanding results. Melissa Dowse won the National Claycourt singles and doubles titles (14s) and Ben Preston won the State Closed singles (12s).

** Ryan Healey, Melissa Dowse and Adam Feeney were all selected in State teams for their respective age groups. This event will be played in January 1997.

** Nathan Healey and Rebecca Hawkins played Senior State League recently. Melissa Dowse & Rebecca will play in the final in a fortnight.

General Business

** All junior memberships for Advantage Receiver have been sent to Tennis NSW on disk. Members should get their cards very soon.

** Mr Gibson reported that he has put in an application, with the assistance of Greg Sleigh, for Gosford to host the 16 & Under National Titles from 1998-2000. We should hear something early in the new year.

** Our Junior Open entry form needs adjusting for next year. Mr Roberts & Mr Stimson volunteered to look closely at it and get them printed within a few weeks. Our tournament is a National Category 4 tournament and it is possible that we will again have overseas players involved. The tournament is set down for January 19-23, 1997.

** It was moved S.Gibson/M. Roberts " that the fees structure be \$12 per singles and \$12 per doubles pair for the 1997 junior tournament" **CARRIED**

** Rankings need attention but because of time, it was agreed to hold these over until next meeting.

Meeting Closed 9:45 p.m.