

MINUTES OF GDTA MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY, 4TH FEBRUARY, 2004

PRESENT: HAL MORE, STEVE GIBSON, TROY MAHONEY,
JAIMIE BYRNES, BRYCE GROSSEL, DENNIS STIMSON,
ANNE THOMAS, MAUREEN ROWE

APOLOGIES: PAT HEALY, MARILYN BROOKS

MINUTES PREVIOUS MEETING: Moved Steve Gibson
Seconded Troy Mahoney

BUSINESS ARISING:

- * Lease Fee to Council - Hal has had 3 meetings with Council and it appears we have to pay this fee, including back monies Dennis queried that this was correct as he understood that it was not due to be paid until the lease with Council was signed. Hal will follow the matter up further in due course.
- * Chairs - Maureen is still following this up - trying to contact Mary McCumstie.
- * Court 13 will be done, hopefully in the next week or so.
- * Computer - Jaimie has computer and is waiting on package from Quick Books. Need to do GST return and also need an up-dated membership list which Pat is Working on.

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

Christmas Card from Tennis NSW
NSW Hardcourt Association - Interdistrict 2004 (entries close 1/4/04, comp commences 16/5/2004.
Letter from Quicken Advantage with contact details/membership
Letter from L.M.W. with receipt for deposit of \$726.00 for Night Comp.
Domain Names - re Internet name being unregistered
Australia Post re incorrectly addressed mail being returned to sender (form to be completed for our postal box)
Newsletter from Kids Tennis Foundation
Trophy book from C R Hose Glassware
Letter from Gary Karam re contribution to Sean for Vet Australian team (moved Hal, seconded Steve and meeting approved to give him \$250.00 towards expenses).
Entry Forms for Alice Springs
Letter from Irene Lavermicocca - refund Junior Open 2003

Northumberland Region – Special General Meeting 29/2/04
“ “ List delegates for 2004
“ “ Tennis Management Committee
“ “ Suggestions for Inter-action between clubs
Quote from KCL for Court 13 \$20,475 + GST

CORRESPONDENCE OUT: Nil

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Bendigo Bank	CR	\$71,979.36	3/2/04
Commonwealth Bank	CR	4,354.58	

ACCOUNTS:

GTC

Voucher Sat Comp Lachlan Doyle	\$25.00	
Mowing bottom Dec/Jan	440.00	- should this be \$220?
Promotional Fee Jan/Feb	550.00	
Squads	272.25	
% collection fees	1,601.00	
Re-imburement Men's "B" Singles Gosford Open	100.00	
Security Alarm Jan-March	71.70	
Junior Presentation	85.00	

GOSFORD JUNIOR OPEN ---

“ Fee Referee Junior Open	600.00	
Eftpos	102.90	
Food – staff	150.00	
Court hire	2,200.00	
Entry Forms, etc Gosford Open	169.00	
Terry's Engraving – Trophies Jnr Open	763.90	
Telstra A/c (overdue \$169.90)	409.62	Pd
Officeworks (overdue \$128.44)	142.30	
Kalamazoo (overdue)	131.35	
Major Sports Surfaces – bottom courts	18,600.00	
Fencing account	3,300.00	
T R Davidson – Assoc Books	990.00	
Gosford Council (o/due \$15,628.78)	20,422.81	

COMPETITION C/TEE REPORT:

Anne has no problems with night comps. Tuesday started last week with 23 teams (previously 26 teams). 1 team playing from Barinya Lane, GTC are not happy about this as there is a spare court each week at Gosford. Thursday Night going well, 3 divisions – 21 teams which is more than before and going well.

Saturday Comp is a big problem. Lynne and Troy have discussed this, only 11 teams – maybe 12 teams. Last Saturday we used 3 courts for 2 matches and finished early and players liked the format. Lynne and Troy would prefer not to run a two round comp and try a different format. Hal advised the meeting that the Executive had a meeting earlier this evening with Rod & Jenny and they would like the opportunity to try and build up the Saturday afternoon competition. After discussion, it was agreed that we would allow them to do this and see if we can get some of the past players back to Saturday afternoon comp.

Steve stated that he felt that for the last 2 years the competition has been going down and there appears to have been a lack of communication between the Tennis Committee and the Main Body Committee, and also problems with Championships.

Troy took objection to Steve's comments, stating that the last Championships went well and he had done a considerable amount to try and get players. Maureen stated that it must be taken into account that a large number of the players in the Championships were juniors, as we had joined the 2 Championships into 1 event and also, to date, Troy has still not provided her with a list of winners for the Senior Championships for 2002 and she was continually being asked for trophies.

Troy left the meeting stating that he felt it was unjust criticism when he felt he had put a lot of work into the various competitions.

Steve apologised to the meeting, however he felt what he said was correct.

There was some problem with the number of courts allocated to the Championships by GTC. Dennis said he feels Troy is of the opinion that the Committee did not support him in relation to the fact that Rod did not make enough courts available for the Association Championships.

Jaimie said that when Matthew was here he did all that work and others maybe do not have the time to do the necessary preparation and maybe we should look at night matches for Championships in the future.

Jaimie reported that Troy had said the drawbook was ready to be printed. He also does not have a problem with GTC running the Saturday comp provided the Tennis Committee has input into the grading of players.

Maureen stated that Lynne had said to her that, after this comp, she is not going to be involved in any further Saturday comps.

JUNIOR COMMITTEE REPORT:

Maureen gave report on GDTA Junior Open run from 15/1 – 20/1/04 which was very successful. Despite loosing all day Friday with rain, we were able to complete all matches and all events were run and trophies awarded.

A very special “Thank You” to Ian Lowcock for his untiring efforts for the whole 6 days in the tournament box, the tournament would have been much harder to run without his efforts as he speaks fluent French which is so helpful with the non-english speaking kids. Maureen would like a “Thank You” letter to be sent to Ian for his contribution to this tournament. Meeting in favour.

Also, many thanks to Rod for his computer work which was very efficiently completed. Our Referee for the tournament, Eugene, did an excellent job and we were assisted by Jaimie Aulsebrook and Dave Murphy. We received many compliments from parents and participants re the running of the tournament. Troy also came in a couple of times to assist.

A rough break-up of income and costs is as under, showing a profit of approx \$5,900.

Income for entry fees, sale of balls, etc.	approx.	\$12,300.00
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COSTS:

Printing Entry Forms	\$360.36		
Postage	619.86		
Trophies	763.90		
Court Hire	2,000.00		
Food for staff	150.00		
Pchse tennis balls – approx.	1,800.00		
Referee	600.00		
Eftpos	102.90	Total	6,397.02

Dennis asked what we were going to do about the numbers being down some 60 odd players this year. Maureen stated that some of these players had played in Albury and because there was no spare day between the tournaments, some players pulled out of our tournament.

Dennis felt that not many of those players made up the numbers we were down and also stated that the Entry Form should be done earlier than it was on this occasion. Maureen said she had it printed as soon as it was proof read by Steve and Dennis.

Dennis also stated that the "odd" events should be played the second day and then some of the Albury kids may have come here. Tennis NSW are aware of this problem and will look at it for next year.

Dennis also asked why our results were not put into the paper. Maureen stated that the local and Sydney Telegraph Reporter were in attendance and had all the results.

L.M.W. REPORT:

Minutes of previous meeting tabled. No Representative present, no report.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Steve reported the Regional Coach has resigned, at this stage there will not be a replacement appointed. A new State coach has been appointed and Steve has a meeting with him tomorrow re country tennis.

Regional meeting on the 29/2/04.

Regional Squad due to have a training day at Singleton and Shannon Blume will coordinate next day at Gosford

Dennis asked who chose the grass that is to be put on Court 13. Hal advised that the Executive made the decision as the carpet that is there at present is no longer available and we chose the nearest one to that as it was felt we needed to get the work done as L.M.W. need that court for their competition, also the Night Comps use that court
Dennis felt this should not have been decided prior to discussing at this meeting.

Maureen stated she was leaving the meeting, as she felt Dennis was dragging the meeting on with every point that was discussed. In his absence our meetings were finished around 9.30/9.45 pm, however we are now back to being here until all hours of the night.

No further minutes were notated.

Steve moved quote for Court 13, as accepted by the Executive Committee, be accepted, seconded Maureen.

Courts 22/23 re-painted. Patched and leaned all the others at bottom complex.

Steve feels our fee should be returned to \$5,000 per month now that the courts have been up-graded and being used. Decision made to monitor the use of the courts during the Sattelite tournament.

In relation to the Lease, Dennis feels they cannot go back to 1997 as we did not sign the Lease at that time. Prior to signing the Lease, maybe we were still liable for the old lease fee.

Jaimie reported we have paid \$1,850.00 odd each year in lease and water rates.

2000	\$2,027.00
2001 onwards	\$1,842.05
1/7/03 - 30/6/04	\$2,027.00

Hal has spoken to Council and asked for an itemised account break-up, but this has not been received.

Dennis said the terms of the new lease could not commence until the lease was signed.

Dennis suggested we do something about amending the minutes and nominating Jaimie to be member of the Committee. Hal said it was an ommission that Jaimie was continuing on as Treasurer. Hal nominated him, seconded Maureen and Jaimie accepted, all in favour. Amendment will be made to minutes.

Hal advised he has had discussions with our Solicitor re the proposal John Alexander was discussing with GDTA and the Solicitor would like us to provide material for him to peruse. Hal advised John Alexander did a presentation at Newcastle and after the Davis Cup will get in touch with us for further discussions. The Solicitor asked if we knew anyone in Adelaide who could tell us more about the Memorial Drive complex.

Dennis asked about these discussions as he stated he did not know details of what was being discussed. Hal stated he would explain if Dennis wished to listen as everyone else seemed to know from previous meetings that we had been approached by John Alexander about developing the bottom complex, but there is nothing concrete to advise at this time. When there is something concrete, a meeting of all members will be held to discuss the matter further.

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MEETING WITH ALINTA REPRESENTATIVES HELD 4TH FEBRUARY,
2004.

PRESENT: HAL, STEVE, JAIMIE, MAUREEN,
MARK PINCHBECK AND LAURENCE HALL

Mark said there seems to be a few issues that Gosford are not happy with, as they feel there is a conflict between Badge, Pennant and Alinta.

X-point is to be run at various venues and all other centres are happy with this.

Sunday has become a problem because of Northumberland Round Robins, etc. and Alinta now wish to run X-Point on a Saturday. All other centres have courts available on a Saturday and it now has to be run on a Saturday.

GDTA do not have courts available on a Saturday and Tuggerah have not, as yet, committed.

Steve advised all these coaches have had the opportunity to run this concept in the past, but would not co-operate.

Mark advised they will run on Thursday night and Saturday morning. Also, are going to run an adult competition. Have many numbers of juniors to play their tournament. The other centres will run their own competition using the Alinta system.

Steve advised that we have 2 tiers at present - Badge and Pennant, both are very successful.

The Alinta Reps were advised that GDTA will continue to run their own Badge and Pennant and not participate in the X-Point at this time.

Meeting closed 8.10pm.