

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING GOSFORD DISTRICT TENNIS
ASSOCIATION - 26TH SEPTEMBER, 2007

PRESENT: 21 members attended, as per Attendance Book)
Chairperson - Hal Moir, President

APOLOGIES: Bryce Grossel

MINUTES PREVIOUS MEETING: Moved: Helen Newmark
Seconded: Marilyn Brooks

BUSINESS ARISING:

- ** Bottom complex - discuss under General Business.
- ** Wall Back Court 12/13 - still pending.
(Hal advised still working with Trevor Stretton).
- ** Disabled toilet - will hold until discussing
whole complex at later date.
- ** Grass Court 13 to be replaced by Major Sports by
end of 2007.
- ** Office Roof - some quotes received and will have
to look at urgently as now leaking
and becoming dangerous.
- ** Honour Board - new one now updated and erected.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Presented by Hal Moir (copy attached).

Hal thanked Committee Members for their efforts during
past 12 months, particularly to Maureen Rowe and Lynne
Buchanan. Also, to Helen Newmark and the ladies
Committee.

Special thanks to Steve Gibson for his many years as
Country Director. Steve has stepped down from this
position from October, 2007.

Hal welcomed Greg Doyle who is one of the new Country
Directors.

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TREASURER'S REPORT:

Presented by Lynne Buchanan.

Our current financial position is very good.

Bendigo Bank \$ 175,150-01

Commonwealth Bank \$ 6,274-83

Our books have been Audited by Donoghue & Co and found to be in order.

Our last meeting discussed putting some of the funds on a higher interest bearing account until we are ready to utilise these funds for complex- Lynne looking into.

TENNIS SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT:

Report presented by Hal Moir - copy attached.

JUNIOR C/TEE REPORT:

Presented by Maureen Rowe (Chairperson) - copy attached.

Maureen particularly thanked Betty Light for all her help during the year, also Jenny Rosenfield. Special thanks, also, to Lynne Buchanan for all her efforts with umpiring and court supervising at the many tournaments.

Presentation Night will be Saturday, 8th December, 2007.

L.M.W. REPORT:

Presented by Helen Newmark (President) - copy attached.

Helen thanked her Committee and noted the sad passing of Margaret Groves (ex President) and Maureen Saunders.

Helen asked, on behalf of LMW, if we can have portable umpires chairs, as the ladies still wish to utilise umpires. We will look into cost, however there is still the problem of insurance risk.

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NOTICES OF MOTION: Nil

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT: Hal Moir - only nomination.

VICE PRESIDENT: Steve Gibson - only nomination.

SECRETARY: Maureen Rowe - only nomination.

TREASURER: Lynne Buchanan - only nomination.

COMMITTEE:

1. Helen Newmark	2. Anne Thomas
3. Bruce Grossel	4. Marilyn Brooks
5. Dennis Stimson	6. Glenn Stewart
7. Kendal Hodgman	8. Dust Lancaster
9. Julie Stewart	

Hal made comment that it is great to have a full compliment on the Committee for the next year.

PATRONS: Federal Member
State Member
Mayor

AUDITOR: Lynne was pleased with using Donoghue & Co and meeting voted to continue with their services.

HONARARIUM: Discussion re fee paid to Lynne. Kendal Hodgman moved, seconded Helen Newmark this fee be increased to \$600.00 per month, all in favour.

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GENERAL BUSINESS:

FEES:	PRESENT	(PLUS PLAYER REGISTRATION FEE SET BY TENNIS NSW)
ADULT	\$34.00	
SENIOR	30.00	
JUNIOR	20.00	
FULL TIME UNI & TAFE STUDENT	30.00	

After discussion, moved Helen Newmark, seconded Del Campbell that fees remain the same, meeting approved. (1 abstained).

Greg Doyle spoke and also thanked Steve Gibson for his contribution over 14 years. He further stated that we should not be accumulating our funds, but rather spending them for members.

Hal advised meeting that at present we are trying to obtain grants for future major improvements, and some of this will be on a dollar for dollar basis, and we need funds to put into application.

LICENCE WITH GTC:

After asking Rod to leave the room (which he felt was unnecessary) Hal explained the current situation, advising the meeting that we have had discussions with GTC and our Solicitor. The Committee have inserted an asking fee of \$80,000 (\$60,000 was offered by GTC), and also some other changes they requested were not agreed to by the Committee.

Greg Doyle addressed the meeting stating that some members felt that it should be put to tender and he and some other members felt we could get a higher tender fee.

Liz Blake asked why this was again being discussed, as at the last AGM in 2006, this matter was discussed in full and a vote indicated that the members wished negotiations to be held with Jenny and Rod (GTC) with a view to extending their Licence.

Hal advised that to be correct, and at this time we have advised Jenny and Rod they will be given a Draft Licence very shortly for them to consider signing. In the event they do not wish to sign same, then it will be offered for tender.

GOSFORD DISTRICT TENNIS ASSOCIATION INC.

2007 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Firstly, I wish to inform the Meeting that the Auditor has been changed. The Association's financial accounting for the year ended 30 June 2007 was audited by O'Donoghue & Co. My dealings with these accountants were most satisfactory as they were under-standing and obliging.

I am pleased as Treasurer to present to the Annual General Meeting an Audit Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2007 of the financial position of the Association.

I can assure the members present that since the Associations 2006 Annual General Meeting that audited Financial Reports for the years ended 30 June 2004, 2005 and 2006 have been received from the Auditor, Fortunity Assurance, and lodged with the Office of Fair Trading.

From the Report presented it would appear that the Association is financially in an advantageous position. But please note that over the past two years no major capital work upgrades or projects have been undertaken. This does not indicate that our Tennis Complex does not need major upgrades but that those needed are beyond the financial resources of the Association. As already has and will be pointed out at this Meeting a substantial grant from an agency most likely a government body is needed to undertake these upgrades.

Referring to the Financial Report:

pg 4: Profit and Loss Statement

Due to misinterpretations as to the meaning of headings in the Income and Expenses Statements of the Association a few amounts have been incorrectly placed against entries the Report Statement. In both Income and Expenses the 'Junior Tournament' should have been 'Junior Competition' as income and costs are mainly from the Badge competitions and championships. The 'Senior Tournament' should be 'Tournaments' as income and costs are mainly from the Junior Open. I have talked to the accountants pointing about these inaccuracies and it was agreed that this will be rectified in the next Report

Lynne Buchanan
GDTA Hon. Treasurer

JUNIOR TENNIS REPORT FOR A G M 26/9/07

Another successful year with our juniors again this year. Our numbers have held fairly well, considering all other sports available to kids, who seem to like variety.

The Gosford Junior Open is our biggest event for the year which is conducted in January each year and is a quality field of players from most States and some overseas entrants. January in general is a very busy time at our centre, with Tennis Australia events prior to the Gosford Junion Open and we have many of the best juniors of various ages up to 18 years in Australia here to compete in these various tournaments.

We have run 2 Badge competitions this year, and will commence a third comp after the school holidays. With the return of kids from football, netball, etc. our numbers will be up for that comp. We have been well supported by Craig Lumsden (Avoca), Mark Presdee (Erina) and Stephanie Bowler (Terrigal) who send their students into our Badge Competition to give them a larger competition to compete in.

GDTA Championships for Juniors will be conducted in October, 2007.

Northumberland Inter-District competition was recently completed and several of our teams were succesful in their group. Our Association supported these kids by providing them with a nice T shirt and cap and paid their team entry fee into the competition.

We were pleased this year to have Mitre 10 Kincumber (Murray Vaughan) make a Sponsorship donation to be given to junior members to assist with their costs to play "away" tournaments to further their tennis career. The Association has used this Sponsorship to assist with the cost of their Entry Fees into 3 of these "away" tournaments each during 2007. We thank Murray Vaughan for this generous donation, which has been appreciated by the kids who have benefited from it.

Some of our players participating in "away" tournaments this year are -

Alex Silcock
Chloe Costello
Ella Merritt
Jessica Brown
Jason Stewart
Rebecca Stewart
Kane Ryan
Patrick Ryan

In January, 2007 Ella Merritt was invited by Yvonne Goolagong-Cawley to attend a Squad she was conducting in Melbourne during the Australian Open, along with several other girls from our area. Ella travelled to Melbourne by plane from Newcastle and all accommodation, etc. was paid for which was a great opportunity for her to assist in the development of her game of tennis. The kids were able to attend the Australian Open and meet some of the players.

Our Presentation Night held last December was a great success and this year will be held on 8th December. The Association has purchased a portable Microphone system which will be a great help for this event and all other tournaments held here.

I would particularly like to thank Betty Light for her untiring efforts throughout 2007 so that our juniors can enjoy their tennis, also to Lynne Buchanan for the assistance she has given us, particularly with her umpiring and court supervising duties. This year Lynne received the award for "Referee of the Year for 2007", a just reward for all the time she puts into assisting with the running of many junior tournaments.

We are fortunate that we do get "thanks" from many of the parents for our efforts for their kids and their tennis.

A "HUGE" thank you is due to VAL for her untiring efforts in getting "fill-ins" - mostly last minute, so that we can field teams each Saturday. It is amazing how many times we have parents ring 10 minutes before a match with a reason "little Johnny" can't be there - it is obvious they are NOT tennis parents!.

Also, many thanks to Jenny and Rod for their help, particularly Rod with the major tournaments and Jenny each week, and particularly with Presentation Night - we all know how brilliant she is with catering for our functions.

Thanks to all.

MAUREEN ROWE