

Maryborough & District Tennis Association

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

Monday 14 August 2017 at 7.00 pm

Highview College, Technology Building (Burns St, Maryborough)

1. Welcome

Present: Dave Willis (Pres), Wendy Pickering-Tyers (Sec), Tammie Willis (Treas) (Majorca); Ron, Daniel & Lauren Potter (Cal Gully); Daryl & Heather Driscoll (Moonambel); Judy Lennen & Rosalie Douglas (Lawn); Sharon & Hollie Beavis (Avoca); Steven Gell & Tyson Mortlock (Bealiba)

2. Apologies

Darren & Jennine Mortlock (Bealiba); Mark Christie & Lyndon Tait (Lawn); Rachel O'Halloran (Cal Gully); Mark McLay & Matt Veitch (Amphitheatre)

Not Represented: Talbot

3. Minutes of previous AGM (10 August 2016)

Minutes of the 2016 AGM were read and accepted as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Daryl Driscoll **Seconded:** Ron Potter

→ Identification of Business Arising from Minutes: Review of Friday evening tennis, listed in General Business.

4. Matters arising from Minutes - Nil

5. Correspondence

In: Tennis Victoria Affiliation and Invoice (\$590)

Tennis Victoria – Ball Offer (to be emailed to any Clubs that didn't receive it)

Tennis Victoria – Working with Children legislation (via email - 10 March 2017)

Out: Certificates of Appreciation to all sponsors of Championships

NB: Discussion ensued about the new Working with Children requirements (copy of email was handed to each club and is attached). This will need to be implemented in clubs and the Association.

6. Treasurer's Report:

Tammie explained that under our current constitution and legislation for Tier 1 Associations, we do not need to be audited. Besides which, there is an issue to find an auditor that is not connected to anyone in the committee.

Summary of Treasurer's Report:

Receipts of: \$2456.22 for the Operating Account
 \$230.86 interest for Term Deposit

Total Receipts: \$2687.08

Total Expenses: \$2964.16

- Several donations were made by various businesses for raffle prizes for the Championships and Grand Final Presentation Night.

Cash donations were received from: Driscoll Ag; Dellavedova Fertilisers; Maryborough Bearings and Industrial Supplies; MB Law; AB Paint; and Phil Hooper Insurance.

Brian Carr donated all the Head balls for the Championships on the proviso that we returned them to him for his coaching sessions.

- The Treasurer's report was accepted by the meeting.

Moved: Lauren Potter

Seconded: Steve Gell

- * **Treasurer's Motion:** To approve payment of \$200 to the Ladder Secretary, Lyndon Tait, for his work over the season.

Moved: Tammie Willis

Seconded: Ron Potter

** Note that this was amended at the Teams Submission Meeting - 5 September 2017 ~ to \$250. M. P. King*

7. President's Report

David Willis, MDTA President 2016-2017 Season (Report attached)

8. General Business:

- **Presentation of Premiership Pennants** to winning clubs of the 2016-17 season:
 - A Grade – Majorca;
 - A Res: Gully Red;
 - C Spec – Gully Yellow;
 - C Grade - Amphitheatre

- **Review of Friday night experiment** (issue with heat rule?): Meeting agreed that it was a worthwhile experience for those teams who participated but there are a range of issues that make it problematic, including what to do in case of extreme heat, additional cost for lights (approx. \$7 per player), player availability. We agreed to support this initiative again this season if clubs wanted to pursue it, but acknowledged the need to protect the Executive and MDTA from compromising duty of care to players' welfare and safety in the event of extreme conditions.

- **Report from Lawn and Ron Potter on the works on Lawn's courts:** Club has a \$150,000 grant to replace three grass courts with synthetic surface, but the steering committee has decided to remove 6 courts and build a base for 5 new courts, in the hope that through the tender process (or through club fundraising/loans) it may be possible to build all 5 courts rather than just 3. Tender process will be complete by end of September. It is likely that works may impact on the start of the tennis season but courts should be available through the latter part of the season.

- **Review of issues from Finals – Talbot C Spec.** Meeting agreed that the situation that arose at the Grand Final (where Talbot did not play a third girl despite her being available and instead played with only two girls) was in contravention of the Association By-laws and potentially impacted on the spirit of the game. It creating the likelihood of an appeal, which would have compromised the Presentation Evening, and created unnecessary trauma for all concerned. The meeting directed the Secretary to write to the Talbot Tennis Club to express our disappointment and concern regarding the situation.

AOB:

- Discussion about concerns regarding behaviour and conduct of some players at matches. The meeting agreed that the Association may need a Code of Conduct in the future and directed the incoming Executive to investigate with Tennis Victoria whether they have a Code of Conduct we could adopt. Ron Potter also indicates that they (Cal Gully as incoming executive) would include a reminder to all clubs about appropriate behaviour at all matches.
- Suggestion raised again about a forum to discuss innovative ways to promote the sport – Cal Gully to explore possibility of an October/November date.

9. Election of Office Bearers for Season 2017-18 (Cal Gully Tennis Club)

Majorca Tennis Club conclude and stand down from executive duties for Season 2016-17 and hand over to Cal Gully Tennis Club. The meeting elected the following office bearers for Season 2017-18:

President: Ron Potter

Secretary Lauren Potter

Treasurer: Rachel O'Halloran

Ladder Secretary & website co-ordinator: Daniel Potter

Member Protection Information Officer: To be advised

The new signatories for all Maryborough & District Tennis Association Inc. Bendigo Bank account and Term deposit are to be Ron Potter, Lauren Potter, Rachel O'Halloran as joint signatories. Rachel O'Halloran and Ron Potter to have internet banking access to the Maryborough District Tennis Association Cheque account and all pre-existing signatories are to be removed from all accounts and internet access.

Thanks:

The meeting acknowledged the work of the Majorca Tennis Club in their role as MDTA Executive and also Lyndon Tait as Ladder Secretary and website administrator, and thanked them for their time and contribution to the Association.

10. Next meeting

Team Submission is at the Maryborough Tennis Centre on either Tuesday 5 or 12 September.

Potential Dates (to be confirmed at Teams Submission Meeting):

Season Start: 14 Oct - 16 Dec – Christmas Break - 3 Feb – 3 Mar

(Note: Energy Breakthrough – 25 Nov, no junior tennis)

Finals: 10 – 24 March

Championships: Sunday 11, 18 or 25 Feb

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.



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President – David Willis
(Majorca Tennis Club)



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Secretary – Wendy Pickering-Tyers
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