

- Changed A Reserve MDTA team to Cal Gully Red and C Grade changed Lawn to Cal Gully Lawn.
- Final Version of MDTA Tennis Draw to be posted on Website and sent out with minutes.

- **Team Registrations and Affiliation fees:**

- Affiliation fee - \$10 per team;
- Teams registered, and team affiliation fee paid to date are:

Teams Registration			
Grade	No.	Team Registered	Affiliation Fee Paid
A	1	Bealiba	Y
	2	Moonambel	Y
	3	Avoca	Y
	4	Cal Gully White	Y
	5	Majorca	
	6	Amphi	
	7	Lawn Green	Y
A Reserve	8	Cal Gully Black	Y
	9	Cal Gully Red	Y
	10	Avoca	Y
	11	Lawn Gold	Y
B	12	Avoca N	Y
	13	Avoca L	Y
	14	Avoca T	Y
	15	Amphi	
	16	Lawn	
	17	Cal Gully Yellow	Y
	18	Talbot	Y
C	19	Amphi	
	20	Avoca S	Y
	21	Avoca A	Y
	22	Cal Gully Lawn	Y

- Affiliation fees required for above identified teams.

- **Clearances:**

- A number of clearances were submitted;
- **Fill-ins:** Discussion occurred in relation to players filling in for a team then required to fill in again for that team, or another team, in a consecutive week without playing for their own club in between. Rule 2.11 Day Pass does not allow consecutive weeks of fill. Given the exceptional circumstance of limited player numbers this year the MDTA to allow consideration of consecutive weeks of fill in, as a trial, requiring permission from the MDTA Executive;
- **Allowances for players playing in higher grades:** There will be players from morning grades that may also play an afternoon grade – after player has played 3 matches in higher grade the player must then obtain permission from the MDTA Executive to continue to play in both morning and afternoon grades. Refer Rule 2.4 Automatic Grading. At this stage this may affect players in Talbot and Lawn B Grade and Cal Gully Red A Reserve.

- **Scorecard Lodgment Process:**
 - Scorecard completion format for each Grade and scorecard lodgment process to be provided on the website.

- **Club Office Bearers and Team Contact details:**
 - Has been updated and is on the website

- **MDTA Executive Acknowledgement Board:**
 - Hold over until next meeting

- **Face Book Page:**
 - Hold over until next meeting

- **Other Items:**
 - MDTA Tennis Coaching for junior grades:
 - Proposal put forward by Avoca that MDTA should be trying new ways to encourage the development of young players. The proposal suggested to allocate some funds from the MDTA term deposit towards tennis coaching of younger players. Discussion occurred on the format of coaching, the quantum and application to junior players.
 - Motion put forward for MDTA to allocate an appropriate funding amount to each Club with junior teams for the application of tennis coaching of C and B Grade players.

Moved: Sharon Beavis
Seconded: Rosalie Douglas
Carried.
 - MDTA Executive to check term deposit date, check typical coaching rates to establish an appropriate quantum and apply to junior grades – C and B Grades for 2017-18 season.

 - Reuse of B Grade tennis balls for C Grade:
 - Considered a good idea to save on costs. Should be applied where possible.

 - Use of modified balls for C Grade:
 - Need to check with Tennis Victoria if use of modified balls is a requirement and report back to next meeting – Action: MDTA Executive.

 - Modified Serving for C Grade:
 - C Grade players should serve from the base line where able. Modified serving for C Grade players can be applied where the serving player consistently serves double faults from the base line. Modified serving to apply if 2 double faults occur, then the opportunity is provided to serve from the service line underarm. Modified serving to only apply to junior players where the player is having difficulty to serve and the application is discussed and agreed between the Team Managers of each participating junior team.

 - Information on the Maryborough Tennis Centre junior sectional competition:
 - The format of the MTC junior sectional competition outlined essentially providing a flexible format for junior players not committed to participating every week. There may be opportunities to source players and fill-ins from the sectional competition.

- Starting Times for modified teams:
 - A request to start B Grade at 10.00 am was made from Talbot. Discussion concluded in retaining the start time of 9.00am for morning tennis and 1.15pm for afternoon tennis.
 - Given the reduced number of sets to be played in morning C and B Grade and afternoon A-Reserve competitions the timing for morning and afternoon teas to be to the discretion and agreement between the Team Managers.
- Umpiring in B Grade:
 - Players to umpire themselves, parents to watch for first few matches as a check.
- Tie Break Process:
 - Tie Breaks to be applied to B Grade to further their knowledge and even up the fairness of sets.
 - Tie Break process to be provided on the website.
- Drawn Finals:
 - To be determined at the finals meeting in early 2018.

Other Business:

- MDA Executive to write to Maryborough Tennis Centre to check courts availability for the Championships on 18 February 2018.

Next Meeting: Championships meeting TBA

Meeting Closed: at 8.35 pm

Signed:

(Ron Potter- President)

(Lauren Potter - Secretary)