

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF W.D.T.A. INC..

Date : **Thursday 11th AUGUST 2011** at Mt. Waverley Community Centre commencing at 8.00pm.

Chair : Mr Mark Collins, President WDTA

Apologies : D.Hocking, Margaret Quigley, Pam Winstone and as noted on attendance Register.

President mark Collins opened the meeting and welcomed Matthew Kennedy, Jonathan Wong and Peter Jenkin from Tennis Victoria

Annual Report

The President spoke and reviewed the Annual Report.

Financial Report

Treasurer reviewed the Financial statements and advised that the report had been audited.

Treasurer also briefly spoke of the benefits of the Bendigo Bank and Wilson sponsorship for clubs and advised that clubs could group together through him to take advantage of the special Ball Offer which required a minimum order quantity.

Moved that the Annual Report & Financial Statement be accepted.

Proposed : L.Coster, **Seconded** : P.Bowman **Carried.**

Election of Officers & Committee of Management. (see attached).

Laurie Leslie took over the chair thanking Mark Collins for his dedication and proceeded to declare Mark Collins re-elected as President there being no other nominations.

No elections were necessary for any position, nominations matching the vacancies. President read the nominations as per the agenda paper and they were declared elected.

President advised that there were lots of other ways volunteers could assist Waverley Tennis without being on the Committee of Management (eg tournaments, Jnr Committee) and anyone willing to help should contact the Association.

Association Auditor : Geoff Cook was elected.

Association Honorary Solicitor : Peter Kempson was elected.

Guest Speaker - Matthew Kennedy , Executive Director Tennis Victoria_

Matthew introduced himself to the meeting and spoke about Tennis Victoria and its activities.

Election of Life Members

Lyn Gillen and Len Pratt were voted Life Memberships of the Association and presentations were made to both.

By-Law Notice of Motion

As per the agenda all the By-Law changes and the Change to Rules of Incorporation were put to the meeting discussed and voted upon. All were Carried. (See attachment)

- By-law 11 (i) Junior Age Cut-offs to become effective Winter Season 2012. No change for the coming summer season.
- Home teams providing 2 pairs of balls for finals to become effective immediately, ie for Winter 2011 final series.
- Low Compression Balls for Junior D grade matches to be available through the Association, ordering process to be put into place, details tba..
- Clubs could consider adding a similar clause as our Rules of Incorporation Change to their own Rules to help them manage their Liquor Licenses.

Tournament Report

- Lyn Gillen spoke on upcoming tournaments & Junior Development activities.
- October Compass Round-Robin and Melbourne Cup Weekend Tournament Entry Forms were distributed at the meeting.

General Business

- T.Smyth reminded clubs re early cut-off for on-line result entry for last round & finals.
- Summer Entries close Tuesday 16th August.
- Both Senior & Junior Finals need supervision , see fixture book Bylaw 17.
- Handbook Information on Clubzone needs to be up to date for Summer Season.
 - 16th September is the cut-off date for the handbook

Meeting was Closed at 9.45pm and delegates invited to stay for supper.

Jim Birch
Association Secretary

Attachment to 2011 AGM Minutes

The following Officers of Tennis Association & Committee of Management were elected.

President	Mark Collins
Vice-Presidents (2)	David Hocking Laurie Leslie
Secretary	Jim Birch
Assistant Secretary	Ian Chanter
Treasurer	Lindsay Coster
Match Committee Convenor	Trevor Smyth
Junior Administrator	Mark Collins
Night Competition Convenor	Eric Beeston
Senior Summer Record Secretary	David Kimberley
Senior Winter Record Secretary	David Kimberley
Junior Summer Record Secretary	Margaret Quigley
Junior Winter Record Secretary	Margaret Quigley
Junior Sunday Records Secretary	Jan Kuzmicky
Committee Members (3)	Neil Armstrong Lyn Gillen Len Pratt

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AGM Item 9 By-law Changes

The following Changes are proposed by the Management Committee

By-law 11 (e) Eligibility for Finals. Replace current clause with :-

“No player may play in the final series unless they shall have played three home & away matches of Mixed, Mens, Ladies or *OPEN*. *For Juniors, date of birth must also have been provided.* “

Proposed Trevor Smyth Seconded Laurie Leslie CARRIED

Reason : to include Open sections in the criteria & ensure junior date of births are provided.

By-law 11 (i) Junior Age Cut-offs. Replace current clause with :-

“To be eligible for Juniors players must be in any season they play be 18 years of age or under as at midnight on the on the date of the scheduled Sunday grand finals for that season. Players so eligible can continue to compete in any delayed finals for that season.” i.e. a player is ineligible should he/she turn 19 during the currency of the season. ***Change to be become effective Winter Season 2012.***

Proposed Trevor Smyth Seconded Laurie Leslie CARRIED

Reason : To have a separate cut-off age for each season instead of a single end of year age cut-off.

By-law 18. BALLS Add to Current clause :-

“ - For all D Grade Junior matches clubs are to use low compression "green" balls. “

Proposed Trevor Smyth Seconded Neil Armstrong CARRIED

Reason : to fall in line with push to use these balls in all 10& U matches // enhance junior development, enable players to hit the ball more.

Balls will be available for purchase thru the Association.

East Malvern Tennis Club is also proposing a change to By-law 18

By-law 18. BALLS Replace the line relating to finals as follows :-

Replace “ -In final series each competing team shall provide two new balls.”

With “ -In final series the Home Team shall provide 4 new balls. “

Proposed Tony Lane Seconded Trevor Smyth CARRIED 34 – 12

Reason : The cost is negligible, the inconvenience of current rule is high, the arguments over who brought which balls to the match at the end of the game will be eliminated, etc etc.

Change to Rules of Incorporation proposed by the Management Committee

The following change to our Rules of Incorporation is proposed to create an Honorary membership category for participants in Waverley Tennis activities in order to simplify the application of our Liquor License at Robinson Reserve tennis centre.

MEMBERSHIP

Add Clause 3.9 Honorary Membership

"All participants (as players, officials or spectators) in Waverley Tennis conducted activities at the Robinson Reserve Tennis Centre in Doveton (including tournaments, presentations, inter-club and inter-association events) shall become honorary members of the Waverley and District Tennis Association Incorporated (Waverley Tennis) for the duration of that activity. Honorary members have none of the rights of Member Clubs of the Association."

Proposed Jim Birch Seconded Laurie Leslie CARRIED

AGM Item 8 Election of Life Members

Life Membership - LYN GILLEN

Lyn became a member of the Management Committee in August 2000 taking on the role of Tournament Manager a position she continues to hold today.

Lyn has overseen the growth of Waverley Tournaments to today's calendar which includes two Australian Money Tournaments over the Queen's Birthday and Melbourne Cup weekends. With four major tournaments per year Waverley is one of the biggest tournament providers in Victoria. With her experience & knowledge Lyn is a leading Tournament Director and has many contacts in the tennis community.

Lyn also serves on the Association Junior Committee and looks after our Association Junior Development Squads comprising around 110 juniors per week, using two venues and employing 8 trainers over three nights. Her enthusiasm and organizational skills has helped keep our squads strong where other associations have faced falling numbers or no squads at all.

Under Lyn's guidance Waverley has won all the Tennis Victoria Inter-Association challenges at least once and in quite a few instances several times.

Lyn is also closely involved with our other events, the Daphne Fancutt and Pat Pearce Carnivals, with Waverley also having success in these events. Her roles with these events has included both Team Manager and Event Manager positions.

Lyn is also involved with selection of our Junior pennant teams and manages the Waverley team uniforms for our players.

Life Membership - LEN PRATT

Len first became associated with the WDTA in 1981 when his wife Peg was our Senior Record Secretary. He was always willing to help & assisted in the background throughout the years Peg served as Record Secretary from 1981-1983 and 1995 - 2008

In 2002 Len officially joined the Management Committee in 2002 as Senior Winter Records Secretary.

From 2002 to 2011 and ongoing Len has held various Records Secretary roles, and as Senior & MWM Records Secretary Len was involved in the implementation of our new competition software.

2002 – 2005	Senior Winter Records Secretary
2006 – 2007	Junior Summer Records Secretary
2007 – Ongoing	Mid-Week Mens Records Secretary
2008	Junior Winter Records Secretary
2009 - 2010	Senior Winter Records Secretary

During his period as Junior Records Secretary Len was a member of the Waverley Junior Committee, and was manager of the Daphne Fancutt Shield and Pat Pearce Shield representative teams - 2006 - 2008

Len's landscaping expertise has seen him carrying out works at our Robinson Reserve Tennis Centre including paths, BBQ & outdoor seating & landscaping. From 2010 he has been on our Robinson Reserve Sub - Committee .

As he scaled down his records Secretary duties In recent years Len has taken on the role as Editor of our Newsletter “ Waverley Informer “ which is produced 4 times per year and also as the Association photographer and many of his photos have appeared in the newsletter.