



# Waverley & District Tennis Association

## MID-WEEK LADIES' DIVISION

President: Margaret Clark

THE 43rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE MID-WEEK LADIES' DIVISION OF THE WAVERLEY & DISTRICT TENNIS ASSOCIATION INC. WILL BE HELD AT THE GLENVALE TENNIS CLUB, Shepherd Rd, Glen Waverley ON THURSDAY 22ND JUNE 2023 AT 10AM

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### MINUTES

WELCOME BY WDTA-MWL PRESIDENT - by Margaret Clark

APOLOGIES – Faye Weekes - Tally Ho TC, Gayle Hall – Clarinda TC, Margaret Roth – Knox Gardens TC, Judy Searl – committee, Noela Steinfors – committee, Nola Williams – Committee, Karina Clark - Officer TC

MINUTES OF 42nd AGM

Moved: Kym Bircham

Seconded: Deirdre Evans

BUSINESS ARISING – Nil

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – as presented by Margaret Clark

TREASURER'S REPORT – as presented by Jennifer Lomdahl

Moved: Pam Winstone

Seconded: Angela Lacey

SUBMISSIONS FOR BY-LAW CHANGES:

Submitted by WDTA-MWL Committee:

Current By-Laws:

#### **12.1 REGISTRATION OF EMERGENCIES**

(a) Emergencies must be a financial member of any tennis club in Victoria. Any emergency not a financial member of the club using them, is not permitted to play more than three (3) matches per season, nor play in Final Series, and must not play for more than one team per season.

(b) No emergency shall play below her approved personal grading without prior permission of the Executive Committee. Once having played a fourth match in a higher grade, the emergency may not return to a lower grade.

(c) Any emergency playing in any grade must have an (E) after their name on the score sheet. A player from a lower team used as an emergency must also be noted with an (E).



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(d) New registrations may be submitted for approval once entered correctly on the score sheet. Details of previous experience to be entered in the comments box. New emergencies are not to strengthen teams; they should be of similar standard as other team members.

The emergency player is not automatically accepted in that grade if deemed too strong and must play in either position 3 or 4 within the team. Note that Section 1 is exempt from this rule as Section 1 is deemed "open".

### 12.2 ASSOCIATION POOL EMERGENCIES

(a) A Pool Emergency must be a financial member of any tennis club within Victoria.

(b) Must be registered with the Record Secretary.

(c) Association Pool Emergency Players may play as many times as necessary in their personal grade or above for any team in the competition at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

#### Proposed amendment:-

**To delete all By-Law 12.1 and By-law 12.2**

#### To be replaced as follows:-

### 12. THREE TYPES OF EMERGENCY PLAYERS

When using an Emergency Player the type of emergency must be listed in the Comments Box on the scoresheet as follows: (CE) Club Emergency, (PE) Pool Emergency, (GE) Guest Emergency. All types of emergency players must play in positions 3 or 4, with exception of Section 1 as Section 1 are deemed "Open". No emergency shall play below her approved personal grading without prior permission of the Executive Committee. Once having played a fourth match in a higher grade, the emergency may not return to a lower grade (with the exception of Pool Emergencies).

(a) A CLUB EMERGENCY PLAYER must be a financial member of the club using them. Once they have played three (3) matches during the current season and have been accepted and registered as a qualified team member by the Record Secretary, they are then permitted to play further matches and in finals if required. New registrations may be submitted for approval once entered correctly on the score sheet. Details of previous experience to be entered in the comments box. New emergencies are not to strengthen teams; they should be of similar standard as other team members. The emergency player is not automatically accepted in that grade if deemed too strong.

(b) A POOL EMERGENCY PLAYER must be a financial member of any club within Victoria and be registered with the Pool Emergency Officer. A Pool Emergency player may play as many times as needed in their personal grade or above for any team in the competition at the discretion of the Record Secretary. They are not permitted to play in their own personal grade for finals but can play for a higher



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grade. Pool Emergency Players may be regraded DURING the season and this will be noted on the Pool Emergency Availability List on the website.

(c) A GUEST EMERGENCY PLAYER must be a financial member of any club within Victoria and MUST be noted in the Scoresheet Comments with details of experience. They are not permitted to play more than three (3) matches per season, nor play in Finals, and must not play for more than one team per season.

Supporting Statement:

Change to by-law purely to clarify some of the rules previous unclear.

All present voted in favour.

Against: Nil

**By-Law proposal passed.**

Submitted by Wheelers Hill Tennis Club:

Current By-Law:

### **By-Law 12. THREE TYPES OF EMERGENCY PLAYERS**

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### **Proposed Amendment:**

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Whealers Hill supporting Statement:

If the emergency player truly doesn't strengthen the team, there would be no incentive to play them in a position higher than position 3 or 4. But while we have emergencies strengthening the team, this by-law disadvantages the #3 or #4 player in the opposing team.

Voted in favour: 6

Against: 15

**By-law proposal not passed.**

Submitted by WDTA-MWL Committee:

### **Current By-Law:**

#### **1. COURTS**

The type, condition and surroundings of the courts of each competing club shall be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

### **Proposed amendment:**

#### **1. COURTS**

The type, condition and surroundings of the courts of each competing club shall be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee. **Hard courts are only to be used if no other court surfaces are available for both home & away rounds and finals.**

Supporting statement:

If your club has a choice of courts we feel hardcourts are too taxing on the body/legs for some players. If there is an option at the club for entoutcas / synethetic grass / clay those courts must be used.

All voted in favour, except 1

Against: 1

**By-law proposal passed.**



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Submitted by WDTA-MWL Committee:

### Current By-Law:

#### 26. LUNCHES AND REFRESHMENTS

Shall be provided by all home teams at all home matches, play is to be continuous with only brief light refreshments between sets. Lunch to be taken at the conclusion of the last set.

### Proposed amendment:

#### 26. REFRESHMENTS

Light refreshments may be offered during or after matches at the discretion of home team.

### Supporting statement:

Many teams have differing views regarding offering refreshments, even teams within a club. If a team would like to offer tea/coffee and/or light refreshments it is permitted, and they may like to advise opposition prior. They must accept that opposition may not be supplying same on return round, nor wish to participate.

All voted in favour, except 1.

Against: 1

**By-Law Proposal passed.**

Submitted by WDTA-MWL Committee:

### Current By-Law:

#### 27. FINALS SERIES

(f) In the event of a total washout, or an unfinished match, the home captain shall email the Record Secretary the exact position of the match and retain the score sheet and each captain shall retain their balls. The score sheet and balls should then be brought to the continuation of the match, as arranged.

### Proposed amendment:

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Supporting statement:

Due to the fact Home Captains now supply all balls for finals, they should retain the balls if washed out or partially washed out.

Voted in favour: all present.

**By-Law proposal passed.**

### **ELECTION**

All positions declared vacant. Nominations read by Flick Nolan, Life Member.

President: Margaret Clark

Secretary: Joy Kaias

Treasurer: Jennifer Lomdahl

Record Secretary: Noela Steinfort

General Committee: Judy Searl, Kym Bircham, Loreta Piggott, Kim Horton.

**All nominees accepted**

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

Margaret Clark welcomed our newest committee member Kim Horton.

It was pointed out that committee are still in need of two more General Committee members to share the load. We welcome enquiries, please speak to any of our current committee.

Meeting Closed: 11am

Minuted by: J.Kaias, Secretary.