



Buninyong & District Tennis Association

Minutes of Annual Meeting

Monday 10th August 2015, 7.30pm at the Buninyong Tennis Centre

ATTENDANCE:	Representatives from Ballan, Buninyong, Delacombe, Dunnstown, Elaine, Goldfields , Gordon, Grenville, Haddon, Mannibadar, Meredith, Mt Clear, Mt Helen, Napoleons, Navigators, Rokewood, Ross Creek, Smythesdale, St James, Warrenheip, VCTA – Pat Gilchrist and Carol Pearce, BDTA Coach Peter Joyce. Greg Veal from Bendigo Bank.
APOLOGIES:	Not Present: Miners Rest, Carolyn Rutherford
MINUTES:	Megan Collins, Secretary.

ITEM	
Bendigo Bank	Address to membership regarding Bendigo Bank sponsorship and fundraising opportunities.
Minutes of Previous Meeting	Confirmed to be true & correct (moved Megan Collins/Shayne Wren).
Treasurers Report	<p>Given by Phil Anstis, copies circulated. Independent auditors report not available as yet. Will be available at the November meeting. Operating surplus of \$10,413.17</p> <p>General Account - \$3541.06, Investment Account - \$60,064.08</p> <p>Please contact Phil if you have any questions about the financial statements.</p> <p>Financial report accepted (moved Phil Anstis/Georgie Bryant).</p>
Presidents Report	<p>Mandy James presented her Presidents Report. It has been pleasing to see similar numbers of teams participating in the 2014/15 BDTA season.</p> <p>Buninyong Midweek Ladies Competition combined with Ballarat this year – a total of 20 teams. It was also pleasing to report that 3 of 4 Midweek Ladies premiership teams were Buninyong Association teams.</p> <p>Mandy thanked the hardworking BDTA committee – that keep working tirelessly over the off season of tennis to ensure that all things BDTA keep running smoothly. Particular thanks to Phil for all his work with his continual liaison with the Ballarat City Council with regards to ongoing issues with the pavilion.</p> <p>Extended congratulations to Stephen Russell on being awarded a BDTA Life Membership – well deserved in recognition for the tireless volunteer work that Stephen has done for the Association. It is very much appreciated.</p> <p>45 people attended a bus to the Australian Open (first Wed of AO) this year. A bus will be going to the 2016 event – any expressions of interest for attendance are welcome.</p> <p>The proposed online access for court hire is very welcomed, and Mandy looks forward to further developments in this area. Look forward to coming season, best wishes to all clubs.</p> <p>Mandy extended congratulations to Pat and Carol (VCTA) on their Victoria spirit of tennis award – presented by Evonne Goolagong Cawley. Congratulations and well done.</p>

<p>Correspondence</p>	<p>Incoming:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tennis Victoria Country Conference documentation • March and June: Ballarat Sports Foundation Rounds of funding Application forms. • Consumer Affairs Vic – Annual Statement documentation • VCTA – AGM Agenda, Cover letter and Nomination forms. • Tennis Victoria – 201/16 Affiliation and Registration Fees. • Tennis Australia – National Club Health Check reports 2013/14 • Email: Ballarat City Council – Application for funding for defibrillation units. • Tennis Victoria – “Opening up” funding project – EOI. • Department of Justice – Working with Children Check – Stephen Russell. <p>Outgoing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tennis Victoria affiliation information and payment 2015/16. • Application to BCC for defibrillation unit. • Application to Tennis Vic for “opening up” EOI. • Community Bank sponsorship review documentation
<p>Reforming of Association/Election of Office Bearers</p>	<p>Resolved that the Association be re-formed, (moved Barb Mittag /Diana Ferguson)</p> <p>Election of Office Bearers</p> <p>President: Mandy James (<i>Nom. Pat Gilchrist/Angela Beattie</i>)</p> <p>Senior Vice President: Steve Russell (<i>Nom. Mandy James/Shayne Wren</i>)</p> <p>Junior Vice President: David Ebbs (<i>Nom. Megan Collins /Jason Squires</i>)</p> <p>Secretary: Megan Collins (<i>Nom. Georgie Bryant/Diana Ferguson</i>)</p> <p>Assistant Secretary: Erin Jamieson (<i>Nom. Mandy James/Megan Collins</i>)</p> <p>Treasurer: Phil Anstis (<i>Nom. Mandy James/Stephen Russell</i>)</p> <p>Record Secretary: <i>Diana Ferguson (Jason Squires support) Mandy/Shayne</i></p> <p>Publicity Officer: Jason Squires</p> <p>Website Administrator: Jason Squires</p>
<p>VCTA Report</p>	<p>Mandy congratulated Pat and Carol on their award. Focus over past few months – have to listen to what members want. Are you happy? If not, let us know. Conversations with smaller clubs – message is that they are struggling with members. Hear to listen, hear to help. Please ring us. TV going to update My tennis. Keep up the good work. BDTA is a fantastic association.</p> <p>Country Week 2016: Wodonga – 8th – 12th Feb. 2017 Yarrawonga, 2018 Swan Hill , 2019 Shepparton, 2020 Wodonga</p>
<p>Junior Squad Report</p>	<p>David Ebbs presented his report. No junior squad 2014/15. Concentrated on Central Highlands tournaments. Junior tournaments – never tried something new to replace a tournament – perhaps will try a tournament this year. Will communicate proposed shortly. Buninyong Good Life Tournament: 25th October 2015</p>

Coaches Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will email everyone about the upcoming programs. • Ran hot shot league for 10 and under. 20 kids participated. • Term1 and Term 4. 70 kids in coaching. • Thurs morning – 8 ladies coaching, then they played. • Fri morning – young mums with bubs – 15-16 participants. • No interest in adult coaching or cardio tennis.
Starting Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Seniors: Sat 10 Oct – Sat 12 Dec (10 rounds), Sat 23 Jan – Sat 27 Feb (6 rounds) ▪ Juniors: Sat 10 Oct – Sat 12 Dec (10 rounds), Sat 23 Jan – Sat 27 Feb (6 rounds) (No play Labour Day Sat 12th Mar) ▪ Finals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Semi Finals: Sat 5 March 2016 - Grand Finals: Sat 19 March 2016.
Junior Tournament Dates	<p>Junior Tournament Dates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Underage Tournament and Graded Tournament to be communicated throughout the season.
Rule Changes	<p>Ross Creek TC: Addition of a Rule to Association Rules stating:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A senior player must declare on every occasion they intend to serve underarm. NOT CARRIED. <p>Ballan TC: Rule changes/updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rule 25 Under Finals: Court allocation for semi-final matches shall be chosen by the teams finishing higher on the ladder to allow home court advantage following the completion of regular season matches. This provides a reward for teams that finish in positions 1 and 2 on the ladder in each grade. All Grand Finals to be played at BDTA courts. NOT CARRIED. <p>Rule 36a Under Juniors: Green Dot balls to be used only in the two lowest junior grades, but no higher than the C4 grade. CARRIED.</p>
Grading Committees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Junior Grading – A representative from each club with a Junior team to meet on Monday 14th September, 7.30pm at Buninyong Tennis Centre. ▪ Senior Grading & Court Allocation meeting – The Executive to meet on Monday 21st September, 7.30pm at Buninyong Tennis Centre.
Permit Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior: President, Senior Vice Pres, Treasurer, Assistant Secretary • Junior: Junior Vice Pres, Record Secretary, Assistant Secretary
Affiliation Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior team \$155.00 • Junior team \$85.00 • Midweek team – BDTA Affiliation \$85.00 • Midweek court hire for BTC courts (B'yong CTC teams only) \$90.00 • Midweek Player – Combined BDTA/BRTC \$82.00 • VCTA Junior Squad levy (per player) \$1.75 • BTC casual court hire (per hour) \$11.00 / \$16.00 with lights •
Draw Books	\$6.50 per book.
Record Secretary Allowance	\$300.00
Fine for meeting non-attendance	\$35, regardless of whether an apology is given.

Grand Final Presentations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Senior – Buninyong Tennis Centre on completion of matches. Catering/Entertainment to be discussed. ▪ Junior – Buninyong Tennis Centre on completion of matches.
Buninyong Tennis Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phil Anstis submitted an application on behalf of the BDTA for a defibrillation unit via St John’s Ambulance. If successful, no cost to the association. • Phil prepared an association form for recording injuries that occur at the BTC. Forms will be located in the kitchen. It was discussed that a generic copy of the form be circulated to clubs. ACTION: MC • Phil has also applied to Tennis Victoria to be a pilot association for their new initiative “Opening Up”, which is an online booking system to allow members and public to hire our facility. The \$20K project comes at a cost of \$5K from the BDTA, so if successful, is a great opportunity for our association. • Nets have been restitched over the winter. • Ongoing issues with the court lights. Seems to be an odd wiring issue. Council is aware of this. • Court 5 squeegee has gone missing. If anyone knows of the whereabouts, please let Phil know. Otherwise we will have an additional cost to replace this.
Teams for 2015/16	<p>All team entries to be submitted in writing to the Association Secretary no later than Monday 14th September 2015.</p> <p>NO ENTRIES AFTER THIS DATE WILL BE ACCEPTED.</p>
General Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Megan proposed the use of TeamApp for the 2015/16 season as a trial. All documents, draws, meetings, and communications would be run in parallel on this app, with a view to promoting it’s use and building it’s membership, to consider using it fully in 2016/17. All members are encouraged to join team app, and direct any enquiries about it’s use to Megan. • Diana wishes to remind everyone that in order for her to have results to the Courier on time, she requires the submission of cards by Saturday night. Full requirements will be communicated closer to the start of the season. Please contact Diana if you have any enquiries.

Meeting Closed 9.08pm