



# Buninyong & District Tennis Association

## Minutes of Annual Meeting

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2011, 7.30pm at the Buninyong Community Facility

<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>	Representatives from Ballan, Buninyong, Dunnstown, Elaine, Goldfields, Grenville, Haddon, Mannibadar, Meredith, Mt Clear, Mt Helen, Napoleons, Navigators, Rokewood, Ross Creek, Sebastopol, Smythesdale, St James and Warrenheip Tennis Clubs, VCTA.
<b>APOLOGIES:</b>	Clarendon & Invermay Tennis Clubs, June Henderson & Mike Colvin
<b>MINUTES:</b>	Clare Beacham, Secretary

ITEM	
<b>Minutes of Previous Meeting</b>	Confirmed to be true & correct (moved Carolyn Rutherford/ Angela Beattie).
<b>Treasurers Report</b>	Given by Phil Anstis. Auditors report was read out. General Account - \$1,611.68, Investment Account - \$98,878.97. Financial report accepted (moved Phil Anstis/ Julie Cameron).
<b>Presidents Report</b>	Mandy reported a good season despite the weather. Re-surfacing of the new courts should happen in October/November. Tender for the clubhouse to be awarded in October with works due to be complete by end of season. Pity Junior Country Week did not go ahead due to rain, however congratulations to Karen, Kathryn & Steve for getting teams ready to play. Senior Country Week was a wonderful week, encourage all to attend. Mandy thanked everyone for their patience with the weather last season and looked forward to the opening of the new courts.
<b>Correspondence</b>	Incoming: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sports Central – Membership Reminder</li> <li>• Greenhouse Games</li> <li>• VCTA - Notice of AGM &amp; Membership Update 2011/12</li> <li>• Moorabool Shire - 2011 Community Group Database Update</li> <li>• Tennis Victoria - Membership &amp; Affiliation Fees 2011/12</li> <li>• Tennis Victoria - Victorian Tennis News</li> <li>• Moorabool Shire – Bacchus Marsh Community Learning Centre</li> <li>• Ryan’s Community Rewards – March 2011 Donations</li> <li>• City of Ballarat – Winter Sports Advisory Committee</li> <li>• Buninyong Community Bank – Invitation to Community Forum</li> <li>• Consumer Affairs Victoria – Annual Statement</li> <li>• City of Ballarat – Community Impact Grant Program</li> <li>• Regional Achievement &amp; Community Awards – Nomination Form.</li> </ul> Outgoing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• City of Ballarat – Response to Budget 2011/12</li> <li>• Thank you to various businesses for trivia night donations.</li> </ul>
<b>Reforming of Association/Election of Office Bearers</b>	Resolved that the Association be re-formed, (moved Michael O’Beirne/ Carolyn Rutherford)  <b>Election of Office Bearers</b> <b>President:</b> Mandy James ( <i>Nom. Carolyn Rutherford/ Angela Beattie</i> )

	<p><b>Senior Vice President:</b> Steve Russell (<i>Nom. Mandy James/ Clare Beacham</i>)</p> <p><b>Junior Vice President:</b> Karen Croxford (<i>Nom. Mandy James/ Clare Beacham</i>)</p> <p><b>Secretary:</b> Clare Beacham (<i>Nom. Carolyn Rutherford/ Karen Croxford</i>)</p> <p><b>Assistant Secretary:</b> Carolyn Rutherford (<i>Nom. Clare Beacham/ Mandy James</i>)</p> <p><b>Treasurer:</b> Phil Anstis (<i>Nom. Carolyn Rutherford/ Angela Beattie</i>)</p> <p><b>Record Secretary:</b> Mandy James (<i>Nom. Carolyn Rutherford</i>)</p> <p><b>Publicity Officer:</b> Michael O'Beirne (<i>Nom. Steve Russell/ Carolyn Rutherford</i>)</p>
<b>VCTA Report</b>	<p>Pat Gilchrist again congratulated the Association on voluntary work. Tennis Victoria have increased affiliation fees from \$24 to \$28, family \$98, club fees depend on number of members. All fees now to go direct to Tennis Victoria, however 4yrs into service agreement and clubs to still go to VCTA first for all queries.</p> <p>Encouraged all clubs to start using My Tennis. Workshops will be coming up. Disappointed Junior Country Week was washed out. Thank you to Michael O'Beirne for putting book together on history of Junior Country Week. Thank you to Steve for his work with Junior Country Week.</p> <p>Buninyong 4<sup>th</sup> by 2 points to Creswick at recent Squad Challenge.</p> <p>Fill ins – it is requested that fill ins pay affiliation after 3 games.</p> <p>VCTA Senior Country Week to be held in Swan Hill Feb 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> 2012.</p>
<b>Central Highlands Regional Council Report</b>	<p>Mandy James reported the next meeting is at Buninyong Community Facility on Wed 10<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30pm. Masters Series of 5 tournaments being held this year, finals at Creswick in October. Senior Challenge Cup between Associations to be held 4<sup>th</sup> December.</p>
<b>Country Week Report</b>	<p>Due to Junior Country Week being washed out, nothing to report. Need 3 new selectors this year.</p>
<b>Junior Squad Report</b>	<p>Karen Croxford reported good season with 28 players registered. Training well attended. Won one tournament and came 4<sup>th</sup> by 2 points in Squad Challenge. Number of players have been winning their section. Next tournament 21<sup>st</sup> August. Squad bank account has been moved to Buninyong Community Bank.</p>
<b>Starting Dates</b>	<p>Starting dates agreed as follows:  <b>Seniors:</b> Sat 8<sup>th</sup> Oct – Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Dec, Sat 28<sup>th</sup> Jan – Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Mar  <b>Juniors:</b> Sat 8<sup>th</sup> Oct – Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Dec, Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Feb – Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Mar  <b>Finals:</b> Semi Final – Sat 24<sup>th</sup> Mar, Grand Final – Sat 31<sup>st</sup> Mar  <b>NB. No play on Labor Day long weekend – Sat 10<sup>th</sup> Mar</b></p>
<b>Junior Tournament Dates</b>	<p>Underage Tournament: Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2011.  Steve Russell/ Karen Croxford to run at BTC.  Graded Tournament: Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2012</p>
<b>Rule Changes</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In the event an AFL Grand Final is a draw and therefore re-scheduled to be played on the first round of the BDTA season, all round 1 matches shall be played on the Sunday. Carried</li> <li>2. Any club without an existing coach based at their facility, that is looking for the services of a coach is recommended to approach the BDTA's resident coach with first option to provide services prior to accepting the services of any other coach. Carried</li> </ol>
<b>Grading Committees</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Junior</b> - A representative from each club with a junior team to meet on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August, 7.30pm at Buninyong Community Facility.</li> <li>• <b>Senior</b> – Executive to meet on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September (location TBC).</li> </ul>

<b>Permit Committee</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Senior:</b> President, Senior Vice Pres, Treasurer, Assistant Secretary</li> <li>• <b>Junior:</b> Junior Vice Pres, Record Secretary, Assistant Secretary</li> </ul>
<b>Affiliation Fees</b>	Senior team - \$135, Junior team - \$70, Midweek team - \$70 Midweek court hire for Buninyong courts – \$80 per team per season VCTA Junior Squad Levy - \$1.50 per player
<b>Draw Books</b>	\$6 per book
<b>Record Secretary Allowance</b>	\$250
<b>Fine for meeting non-attendance</b>	\$25, regardless of whether an apology is given.
<b>Grand Final Presentations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Senior – Sebastopol Bowling Club, 31<sup>st</sup> March. Karen to book the band.</li> <li>▪ Junior – Buninyong Tennis Centre on completion of matches.</li> </ul>
<b>Junior Country Week</b>	Dates for 2012 TBC Delegate: Steve Russell Three new selectors required. To be confirmed at junior grading meeting.
<b>Buninyong Tennis Centre Re-Development</b>	<p>Works update - Construction of 8 floodlit courts almost complete. Waiting for warm weather before surface can be laid. Drainage issues identified and resolved. Green synthetic to go between courts. \$600,000 project with \$50,000 contribution from BDTA and \$48,000 grant from Tennis Australia. May need Landcare assistance or grants for tree planting and shade structures. New Pavilion will be constructed between the 2 banks of courts. Council have committed \$373,000 this financial year with anticipated completion by end of season. BDTA contribution \$50,000.</p> <p>Coach – Mandy James read out advert that will be placed on Tennis Australia Website and in local newspapers advertising for a Tennis Coach to be based at the new centre. Advert adopted (moved Mandy James/ Steve Russell).</p> <p>Fundraising – Tentative date for Trivia Night agreed on 5<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> November. Clare to follow up &amp; confirm date. Michael O'Beirne to register BDTA for Bunnings Sausage Sizzle.</p> <p>New Competitions – Suggested a University of Ballarat student may be able to work on planning &amp; starting up new competitions with oversee from Executive/ Mark Thornton. Mandy to follow up.</p>
<b>Teams for 2007/08</b>	<b>All team entries to be submitted in writing to the Association Secretary no later than Monday 29 August 2011.</b>
<b>General Business</b>	<p><b>Court Risk Assessments</b> – All clubs to complete Risk Assessment Form and return to Association Secretary prior to start of season.</p> <p><b>Responsible Serving of Alcohol Course</b> – BDTA will look at holding one in future, clubs to be kept informed.</p> <p><b>Buninyong Good Life Festival</b> – to be held 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in October each year. 2011 is 16<sup>th</sup> October 10am – 4pm. Designated areas for different types of activities. Organisers are keen for us to run fastest serve again and for different food stalls. Meeting agreed to be involved. Suggest raffle Australian Open tickets.</p> <p><b>Protests &amp; Signing Cards</b> – Please ensure all club members know NOT to sign the card if there are ANY issues on the day, eg. Scores, unregistered players or other disputes.</p>

**Meeting Closed 9.20pm**