



Minutes of General Meeting

15 March 2010, 7.30pm at Buninyong Tennis Centre Clubrooms

CHAIR:		Mandy James - President																				
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GUESTS:		Pat Gilchrist, Carol Pearse – VCTA Adam Feiner – Tennis Victoria																				
APOLOGIES:		Haddon Ballarat Lawn																				
MINUTES:		Clare Beacham – Secretary																				

ITEM	
1. Minutes of Previous Meeting (23/03/09)	Minutes of the previous general meeting were read. Moved Marg Keating, Sec. Michael O'beirne.
2. Correspondence	<p>2.1 Incoming Correspondence:</p> <p>Tennis Victoria – Club Open Day Registration Form. Tennis Australia – Davis Cup Promotional Material. Central Highlands Sports Assembly – re: University of Ballarat Market Stall Day. Ballarat Sports Foundation – Round of Funding No. 43. Central Highlands Regional Tennis Council – AGM Agenda. 2010 Premier's Community Volunteering Awards – call for nominations. Buninyong Garden Harvest Lunch.</p> <p>2.2 Outgoing Correspondence:</p> <p>Central Highlands Sports Assembly – letter of support for Creating Healthy Sporting Environments Demonstration Project. Ross Creek Tennis Club – letter of support for Community Grant Application.</p>
3. Guest Speakers	<p>Pat Gilchrist, VCTA reminded clubs that the VCTA is their first point of call for any queries. She reported an increased number of teams from Buninyong competing in VCTA Country Week with 2 of the teams winning premierships. Next year Country Week will be held in Yarrowonga.</p> <p>Adam Feiner, Regional Access Officer for Tennis Victoria talked about a range of programs and services available to clubs including Hotshots, Ladies Social Tennis and Mums Tennis programs. Game Set Match is a new program with information, resources, templates for administration etc.</p>

	<p>My Tennis membership program – encouraged clubs to complete an expression of interest. 7 day per week helpdesk. Lot of potential with the program with increased developments to come.</p> <p>New affiliations benefits brochures and other material were left for clubs to take. "Welcome to My Club" signs were distributed to a number of clubs.</p>
4. Country Week Report	<p>Steve Russell reported that 5 Buninyong teams competed in Junior Country Week in January, Under 19/A, Under 19/C, Under 16/B, Under 16/C and Under 13. Congratulations to U/16 B Premiers, U/19C Runners-up & U/19 A Premiers.</p> <p>Mandy congratulated Steve Russell, Raylene Reese and Geoff Burgess for coordinating the teams.</p>
5. Junior Championships	<p>Mandy James reported that approx 50 children competed in the Under Age Championships and approximately 70 competed in the Round Robing Championships. Congratulations to all the participants, to the clubs rostered on to assist with BBQ and to Michael O'Beirne and Steve Russell for coordinating the food and drinks.</p> <p>The honor board is still in progress for the Under-Age Championships.</p>
6. Junior Squad	<p>Karen Croxford, new squad coordinator gave the report. Thanked Steve for his assistance. 39 invitations have gone out for upcoming tournament, hoping for full squad of 32. Karen has received some new enquiries and sponsorship from the Buninyong Service Station for hats. The 1st training session to be re-scheduled. Details to be available on the website. There will be a squad challenge with Mt Prospect to be held at Creswick at the end of May.</p>
7. Central Highlands Regional Tennis Council	<p>Mandy reported that at the AGM the Executive to remain the same. The Masters series is up and running this year. Pat reminded all clubs that they can send a representative. Clare to follow up with clubs based in Golden Plains Shire to ensure they are members of the Central Highlands Region.</p>
8. Draw & Court allocations for finals	<p>Draws and court allocations for Junior and Senior semi finals were completed and to be placed on the website and in The Courier. All junior Grand Final matches to commence at 8.30am, presentations when all matches are finished.</p>
9. General Business	<p><i>9.1 Responsible Serving of Alcohol Course.</i></p> <p>Courses coming up in Ballarat on: Wednesday 7th April Wednesday 5th May Wednesday 9th June Clubs to contact Stuart at Central Highlands Sports Assembly to book a spot. Cost \$35 per person and all courses will start at 6.30pm (3.5 hrs).</p>
	<p><i>9.2 Clarification of Rules</i></p> <p>In junior finals 5 or 6 players can play in a match. No. 5 or 6 player to slot into the allocated number they are replacing. Clubs reminded to sign the back of the card if umpiring.</p>
	<p><i>9.3 End of Season Presentations and Function 2009</i></p> <p>Senior presentations to be held at the Sebastopol Bowling Club, Grand Final night. Finger food and a band. Tickets \$30 adults/ \$15 juniors. Clubs can find out which players are in the running for Most Consistent Player awards by contacting Mandy.</p> <p>Junior presentations to be at BTC after the matches. 9am start for the BBQ. Clare to email a reminder to clubs rostered on to help. U/16B Junior Country Week Premiership trophies will be presented at the junior presentations, U/19A to be presented at the senior presentation night.</p>