

HILLS TENNIS ASSOCIATION INC PO Box 263 Stirling SA 5152



Minutes of Management Committee Meeting held Monday 19th January 2015 7.30pm at The Haus Hahndorf

Present – Paul Bartley, Myles Pope, Adrian Pobke, Ian Barry, Jo Casey, Melissa Hutchesson **Apologies** – Fiona Pobke

1. Minutes

- 1.1. Minutes of last meeting accepted as accurate. Moved Adrian, Seconded Ian
- 1.2. Action and business arising from Minutes not elsewhere on the Agenda
 - Jo to send list of players who participated in Country Carnival to Adrian.
 - Points for div 2 Women yet to be fixed by Fiona.
 - St Francis letter to be print and sent by Paul
 - Polo shirt order action Myles to put shirt sales on HTA timeline for next year

2. Secretary's Report

- 2.1. Correspondence In Various clubs updating their club details. Enquiries for coaching etc
- 2.2. Correspondence Out Multiple emails chasing up Club Registrations, Updated Club Contact list 18/01/15

3. Treasurer's Report

- 3.1. No Accounts for payment.
- 3.2. Association Accounts, Receipts and Expenditure Statements presented at the meeting. High Interest Account \$5 000.39; Working account \$7 934.41; Investment account \$48 602.40; Total funds \$61 537.20
- 3.3. Club Registrations
 - Melissa to contact Helen Bach re Verdun registrations must use My tennis rather than the system they have used.

4. Tennis SA Report

Nothing to report

5. Recording Secretary Report

Night tennis up and running. Lobethal has 4 players missing from a washout. Melissa to Email clubs informing Clubs that player names must be submitted every week, even if it is a washout. ** 2 penalty points per player not listed in Results Vault will be lost.

6. Sub Committee Reports

6.1. SAC Report -

Program changes

SAC frustrated at the fact that no changes are able to be made to the program. Some uneven match ups between teams in Div. 1 Men and Div. 2 Women. Craig Gallasch (Hahndorf) suggested a minor change that will slightly improve the draw – Matches on March 7th for Div. 1 Men and Div. 2 Women will be changed to 8 v 7 and 3 v 4. This will require no venue changes.

• Jo to notify affected clubs of this change.

The SAC will be very reluctant to consider regrading any teams in the future.

Club Registrations of members/players

A difficult year for clubs to get their members registered on time. Proposed documents that will assist this process in future:

- Affiliation and Registration Guide to be given to clubs PRIOR to the start of next season. This clearly outlines responsibilities and due dates for both Affiliation and Registration.
- Affiliation and Registration HTA Actions Timeline to be used by HTA MC to assist clubs with this process.

Results Vault - points calculation

Request Recording Secretary contact RV admin to find a solution to the system not calculating points correctly when match unfinished. Original query raised by Chris Geue (Littlehampton) 23rd

November. Match on 22 November in Div. 3 Men's comp Littlehampton v Summertown – the system is counting sets won in an unfinished doubles rubber as rubbers.

Grand Final Court Locations

After receiving feedback and discussion amongst SAC and MC, the SAC proposes that Senior Grand Final court locations be at Mt Barker for ALL Doubles divisions and Anembo Park for ALL Traditional divisions. The main reasons that led to this decision include:

- The 3 clubs that originally agreed to hosting would not have had any of their own teams playing at home which would possibly make the organisation of BBQ/presentations difficult. Opening, cleaning of courts/facilities and managing a BBQ would be a lot easier for clubs that may have teams playing at their own courts if in finals.
- Having only 2 venues would add to the atmosphere and excitement for spectators on the
 day. Life members and invited guests can also travel easily between the 2 venues.
 Presentations at 2 locations only this was planned to be in lieu of presentation dinner.
- Provided the court surfaces are of a high standard, no real home court advantage is seen to be had by any one team.

Motion – that the above 2 venues be accepted as Grand Final venues for 2015. Myles seconded. Carried.

Inter association match with Great Southern

Sunday, 22nd February 2015 against Great Southern Assoc at Anembo Park, starting at 11.00 am. One team of 12 traditional players (6M + 6W) and 8 doubles players (4M + 4W). Littlehampton are unable to run the BBQ for the event. Jo to contact Mt Barker Lions Club to ask if they would like to do it.

Nominations from players will close end of January – SAC will select final team based on playing ability and history with HTA. Good numbers so far. A couple more trad men needed.

Missing player names and follow up from Recording Secretary

Request Recording Secretary follow up missing player as advised by clubs in the last few weeks - rounds 4, 5, 6 & 7. Request that these notifications are entered into the system by RS within a week of being received. SAC to be emailed as each one is done.

6.2. JAC Report -

Country carnival very successful - won John Fitzgerald Shield. 26 junior teams, 11 age groups, won 6 titles, runner up in 5. Vote of thanks to Nancy, JAC & SAC for organising HTA teams.

• Ian & Jo to forward report to Myles for posting to website.

Hills Closed Tournament to run Friday – Sunday. Numbers a bit down from last year. Compass Draw to be played Feb 22nd and March 1st.

Noah Phillips, Annika Tobin and David Pienaar just returned from Foundation Cup in Melbourne. Foundation Cup trials to be held after Grand Finals. Dates yet to be set.

Junior order of merit for finals to be set by 22nd February 2015.

6.3. Night Tennis

Nominations for the summer 2015 season of night tennis have been received with a total of 24 teams; 16 on Tuesday and 8 on Wednesday. There are 3 divisions on Tuesday and 2 divisions on Wednesday. This is the same number of teams as for the spring 2014 season. Two teams from spring have not nominated for summer but two new teams have nominated for Wednesday night, although they consist of players who also play on Tuesday night.

The summer season commences on 13 January for Tuesday Divisions 1 and 3 and the following week for Tuesday Division 2 and both Wednesday divisions. Grand Finals are scheduled for 24 and 25 March.

One team from Lobethal withdrew from the competition on 5 January after the program had been finalised. The withdrawal was partially based on player availability due to the impact of the bushfires in the southern Mt Lofty Ranges. This lead the Night Tennis Committee to ask other teams to be conscious of the fact that some teams may find it difficult to field competitive teams due to the bushfires and that all teams should therefore try to reschedule matches to suit any teams impacted by the bushfires.

6.4. Midweek

Returns on 27th January

6.5. Hills Facilities and Management and Planning

No report. Melissa to source to update.

7. Other Business

- 7.1. **Website update** received around 10,000 visitors since the new website went online. Approx. 20 visits daily from search engines and about 60 100 visitors to the site daily.
 - Timeline and information tree to be set up by Myles
- 7.2. Inter Associational match planning see SAC Report
- 7.3. **Senior Grand Final Venue** all in favour.
 - Jo to contact Mt Barker and Onkaparinga
- 7.4. **SGM** elect vacant positions, President and Secretary. Purpose to have 2 way feedback with clubs.
 - Myles to add voluntary subscription option to website.
 - Adrian to book with Hahndorf Football Club
 - Myles to add nomination/agenda item form for SGM on website
 - Myles to post nomination forms to website
 - Melissa to write Child Supervision Guidelines. Responsibility rests with the guardian of the child. Member Protection Officers & Secretaries to have info distributed to them. Disclosure of information to appropriate parties. E.g. diagnosis, allergies etc.

Next meeting SGM 23rd February 7.30pm at Hahndorf Football Club

Meeting closed 9.20pm