

**NOTTING HILL PINWOOD TENNIS CLUB INC.
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 22 JULY 2009**

Meeting Start : 7:45 pm

Present : As per attached list of signatories

Apologies : Bert Faux

Items

1. Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting

Motion : To accept the minutes of 2007/08 AGM

Moved : Pat Soon-Shiong **Seconded** : Sitparan Gnanendran

2. Committee Reports

The Committee Reports contained within the Annual Report 2008/09 (as attached)

The main issues arising from the Committee Reports as are follows :

2008/09 has been a year of consolidation without a major facility spend, resulting in a modest surplus for the club, without funds received from the ITF & court hire to Schools.

Tennis Australia has informed NHPTC that the ITF International may not be running the tournament here in 2010 thus it has not been budgeted.

As a result a target base of \$10K p.a needs to be generated for maintenance such as court resurfacing, fence and roof replacement.

The next project for the club is the building of courts 11 & 12. Capital cost is approx \$135K being carried out in two stages, courts (\$105K) and lights (\$30K).

Project completion will require support and we will be applying for a facilities grant from the Victorian Government.

Rapid decline in numbers of full members and increase in 'discounted' fee category members. Committee recommends discounted category carry a higher proportion of costs.

Study undertaken of other coaching business and their financial/membership benefits to the club. Results indicate NHPTC is lagging and commenced a review of the current coaching contract.

Lack of new member volunteers for Committee, sub committees and working bees, with a high membership turnover ~20%, resulting in the inability to achieve quorum at committee.

An increase in membership fees as set out as in the financial report.

Question from the floor : Where are we with the need of 2 extra courts?

Club has informed City of Monash regarding the development of the 2 courts. Requests from Tennis Australia to have a 12 court complex for other tournaments. Juniors on Saturdays are at full capacity and night teams are growing. Extra courts provide incentive for Tennis Australia to stage other tournaments. Risk is to hand the land back to Monash for property development. No social tennis available on weekends as senior competitions take up the whole day. Building of courts is an optional spend as was lights for the courts. Completion of site will be decided by members.

Question from the floor : Are the additional courts enough to generate more income for the club?

Additional courts will provide a greater incentive for Tennis Australia to stage other tournaments at NHPTC. Question raised on Tennis Australia's commitment for this if the club develops the courts. It will also provide more courts on weekends for members as Sunday is a popular social hitting day.

Question from the floor : When are the peak load times?

Saturday morning for Junior competitions. Court hire to schools in mid week afternoons – no coaching during these times. Pennant season. Suggestion to move juniors to Sundays but no Sunday convenor. Juniors make up 1/3 of membership.

Question from the floor: Has the committee considered revenue stream such as external advertising?

Yes, but there is currently no man power to explore this avenue.

Question from the floor : Why was it necessary for committee to call for expressions of interest for a coach?

A review off all contracts at the club was conducted after the last AGM with a target to complete by Oct-08. The club had been receiving offers \$10K. As part of the review started benchmarking with other clubs that indicated a shortfall of performance at NHPTC. Tum was approached to move to a performance based contract. He indicated that he wished to transfer the contract to a third party, discussions broke down and the committee decided that it was in the best interests of the club to canvas the broader market. Especially as the coaching business environment had changed over the past 15 years with the development of multi-club professional businesses and the committee felt there were many things it was ignorant of.

Question from the floor : What is the next step when information is received?

The submissions will be discussed, the pro & cons explored. The best will be shared with the incumbent so he can adjust if necessary and re-submit and the way forward agreed at this stage. An appointment will be made for a new contract with the best service provider effective 01/01/10. The committee is serious to get the best outcome for the club.

Question from the floor : Is it fair to ask other parties for their sub-missions?

If interested parties wished to be considered for the position then they need to put their best foot forward.

3. Receive and consider Statement of Association

Motion : To accept the Financial Report for 2008/09 as presented

Moved : Geoff Dillon **Seconded** : James Dillon **Carried**

Motion : To accept full free increase

Moved : Steve Viccars **Seconded** : Sitparan Gnanendran **Carried**

Motion : To accept the Annual Report for 2008/09 as presented

Moved : Mike George **Seconded** : Mirza Delic **Carried**

4. Nomination and Voting of Vacant Committee Positions

The following positions declared vacant and nominations received :

Vice President (Nomination from the floor): Geoff Dillon

Nominated : James Dillon

Seconded : Daniel Vissenjoux (not financial)

(Committee needs to move a motion to nominate Geoff Dillon to Committee at the first opportunity)

Honorary Secretary (Nomination from the Floor): Mirza Delic

Nominated : Tony Mallios

Seconded : Grant Buultjens

Tournament Secretary (Nomination from the floor): Sitparan Gnanendran

Nominated : Marilyn Belzer

Seconded : Erwin Maclan

Midweek member Convenor (Written nomination) : Lesley Mckay

Nominated : Patricia George

Seconded : Marilyn Belzer

Night Convenor : Clement Oh

Nominated : Steve Viccars

Seconded : Sitparan Gnanendran

Junior Convenor : Tum (acting)

Nominated : James Dillon

Sitparan Gnanendran enquired if Tum wished to be nominated.

Tum indicated that he was only acting Junior Convenor until the committee fills the position, thus not accepting the nomination.

All nominations from the floor were elected unopposed.

Positions vacant : No nominations

Treasurer

Membership Secretary

Meeting closed at 9:50 pm