



**MINUTES OF AGM FOR NORTHCOTE LAWN TENNIS CLUB
HELD AT NORTHCOTE TENNIS CLUB**

ON

SUNDAY 18th JUNE 2023 AT 3.00 P.M.

1. PRESENT:

Kirsty Speedy, Marian Koerselman, Alison van Wyk, Andre Williams, Jane Davis, Marilyn Hitchcock, Sarah Stratford, Shirley Stevens, Noleine Tyler-Davies, Leigh Elliott, Dean Farquhar, Carol Grenfell, Rachel Henderson, Michelle Adelhelm, Sandra Keaney, Deanne Alter, Dean Smith, Christ Marshall, Shelley Paterson, Grant Borrie, Jacinda Bowring

2. APOLOGIES:

Mark Taplin, Brett Norris, Andrea and Brendon Neill, Marion and Bill Webb, Louise Hodson, Bevan van Wyk

3. ACCEPTANCE OF AGM MINUTES OF 26 JUNE 2022

Marilyn Hitchcock / Chris Marshall

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM AGM MINUTES OF 26 JUNE 2022

None.

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

I can hardly believe that my first year as President is over and what a year we have had. As a club we have shown strong support for each other and our facilities through trying times and thanks is given to everyone who has volunteered their time over the last 12 months. The club spirit witnessed when called upon for help was inspiring. This is what being a member of a club is all about. Participating and working together.

This year has been a busy one for myself and our committee and I am proud of what we have achieved over the last 12 months.

I have been attending the Presidents Breakfasts that TN host and these meetings continue to be a great place to network, source information and find support for the Club's Committees especially in the trying times Clubs have faced this year.

One big item that has been discussed is that with the Incorporated Societies Bill working its way through the legislative process of constitutions, all clubs are going to need to review their constitutions by 2026. Clubs New Zealand's recommendation is that during this transitional period, Clubs take the opportunity to modernise, streamline and ensure that the clubs constitution is a fit-for-purpose set of rules. Tennis NZ has a taskforce working on this to develop a template they are hoping will be ready to roll out by June 2024 which we can review and develop for our club's needs.

Facilities

Looking forward from the last AGM, the committee had on their agenda three potential ways to source more revenue for the Club to assist in maintaining the club's facilities. These were: Sponsorship, Successful Grant Applications and Facility Hireage.

I can quite proudly say that the committee has achieved all three. These alone have bought in over \$50,000 of revenue to put back into our facilities. Some of the projects we have completed using these funds are:

- Upgrading the HRV system to improve the ventilation of the Clubhouse.
- Fixing the leak in the ceiling:

The source of the leak was found to be the skylights not the club's roof so with help from an insurance claim these have been replaced and the ceiling repaired.

- Replacing the Kitchen Fridge:

Having had to make do with an under achieving fridge when our industrial one broke down, this was replaced with the help of sponsorship monies.

- Staining of the deck:

Thanks to tireless work from several keen members the decks were re-stained, and a nonslip surface was applied along the top step board.

- Replacing the Turf on Courts 5/6:

Our biggest expense this year has also recently been completed with the assistance of a Grant from the Lion Foundation and our insurance company for damage from the floods.

- Water Blasting the driveway, pathways and cleaning the gutters has also just been completed.

Other projects underway but not completed are replacing the damaged windbreaks for courts 1/2 which have been ordered and new scoreboards are being sourced. Grooming and spraying of the courts 1-4 has been organised.

Bigger projects that are on our radar are finishing the work the light poles need, updating the gate locks and mending the fence that was damaged in the storm. The under surface of courts 1-4 remains a problem and at this stage we have no solution.

For future management of the Clubs Facilities, development of a Facility Plan is on the agenda which will help the committee to plan financially for ongoing maintenance of the clubhouse and courts. Outsourcing works for general upkeep at the club for the bigger jobs will occur and we will still hold an annual working bee for those smaller jobs. Replacement of worn-out chattels will also be considered in the plan.

Playing Numbers

Our membership numbers remain strong with an increase this year in our senior membership to just under 300. Our junior membership is at 153 and numbers in our beginner's program were also strong at 147. This increase in our senior membership is starting to put a strain on our court availability at certain times of the year.

Competition

Our women's Chelsea Cup team once again took out the top spot this season in straight wins, beating Milford in the final. The men's Chelsea Cup team finished a respectable third behind Campbell's Bay and Brown's Bay with 4 wins from 6 games. A big thank you to our sponsors of the Chelsea Cup teams -Julie Shand Ray White and Burger King.

Our Club Championship was an extremely well attended event this year with many awe-inspiring matches and quite a few upsets. Finals day was once again well attended, and the games went on into the early evening, many reaching 3 sets. A huge thankyou to Grant Borrie and Andrew Spence for running club champs this year, keeping the members informed on the winners and losers with quite the witty repertoire.

A big thanks to Leigh Elliott and Dean Smith for their work as Club Captains. Putting together the Interclub teams is no easy task and on top of that they organised the Battle of the Bridge, between Northcote and Howick, the Battle of the Burbs plus the addition of a new battle between Milford and Northcote Clubs. Northcote lost out in all 3 last year but watch out for 2023, Howick, Birkenhead, and Milford.

Our junior program once again ran Interclub pre and post-Christmas this season. The season concluded with a very enjoyable Junior Club Championships finals day and as usual it was also particularly pleasing to see the enthusiasm and sportsmanship of all

the players taking part in the competition. It is great to see a number of top-quality players coming through the junior system with several playing in Senior Interclub and participating in the Senior Club Championship. The Junior program relies heavily on the support of parents, and I would like to thank all those parents for supporting your children in the program. I would like to specifically thank those who put their hand up to manage teams during the year as this is no easy task. Also thank you to those who helped Jane with the program throughout the year and in particular Anna Gibbs and Taliah Oosterdijk.

A big thanks to Deanne, Jacinda, and our team of coaches particularly Patrick Yarker, Steve Downs, Luke and Josh Taplin, for running the Junior coaching programme and our strongly attended Beginners Programme. Your enthusiasm is what keeps these children returning for more.

Social

This season has seen the club host a few social events such as the Christmas Party and Italian Fiesta Night after Club Champs prize giving. Both were well attended events, ably catered by Sarah Stratford and music by our very own club DJ, Steve Downs.

Finance

With the challenges faced over the last couple of seasons it is very pleasing to see an increase in our cash reserves at year end. The ability to run the Bar for Friday night Beginners, Saturday Interclub, Chelsea Cup and Stafford Road events has significantly increased the bar revenue. The increase in senior membership, the addition of an associate membership for those wanting only tennis aerobics, continued strong Beginner and Junior numbers and growth in developing sponsorship has meant we got through the year in good financial shape. I would like to thank our sponsors Noelene Tyler-Davies, Julie Shand Ray White, Burger King, and McVeagh Flemming Lawyers for their sponsorship and hope we can continue to build on developing this revenue.

Due to the growth in the Club's membership and associated workload that goes with that, the committee decided this year to increase the Club's Administrator's hours to 40hours per week to take over some of the Treasurer's and President's commitments and manage the running of our amazing facility. The committee is sourcing Grants to assist in covering these new hours.

Looking Ahead

I have been very fortunate to work with a fabulously supportive committee, coaching team and administrator which has helped me in my role as President. While we have achieved some of the challenges and projects the club faces - there are always more hills to climb to keep a club this size running well. A strong committee is essential and while we have been able to fill some of the vacancies there is room for more on the committee. Please remember that it takes hundreds of hours to run a club of our size

and input from a wider range of people to spread the burden is essential. If you don't have time to join the committee, you may have time to assist us in other ways.

Thanks

Thank you to all those who have served on the Committee over the last 12 months and dedicated a lot of time to keeping the club going over this period. A huge thank you must go to Andre Williams, our Treasurer whiz, for all the work he has done over the last season. Being the Treasurer of a Club this size, comes with a great deal of responsibility and large time commitments.

Dean Smith is stepping down this year after a second stint of 3 years as Men's Club Captain. Being on the committee for several years is a big ask but to come back and do it again – what can I say. Thank you doesn't quite cut it. Not only did you have the onerous task of putting the Men's Interclub teams together, but you also managed the Men's Chelsea Cup team and organised along with Leigh Elliott, our Ladies Club Captain, the annual competition between us and Howick and added a new competition with Milford. As you developed quite the rapport with Milford's Club Captain, I'm sure you are keen to assist our Club Captains this year in organising that comp.

Alison and Bevan van Wyk are leaving the Committee due to job commitments – thank you for the time you both gave us over the last year.

Jane Davis is also stepping down from the Junior Convenor role. Thank you, Jane, for stepping in when no-one else would last year and for all your hard work in putting the Junior teams together.

Thanks also must go to Deanne Alter, our Head coach for the enthusiasm and the number of hours she gives to this club.

The other person we can't forget to thank is Jacinda Bowring, our administrator who also goes above and beyond her role to make this Club run smoothly.

I am looking forward to once again working with those of you who are staying on the committee and to those who will be joining us.

REPORT MOVED: Shirley Stevens / Seconded: Leigh Elliott

6. TREASURER'S REPORT

NLTC's Unaudited Profit & Loss Ending 31 March 2023 has shown a significant growth in revenue with a total trading revenue of \$230K. An increase of approximately \$112K (95.68%) compared to Year 2022.

Revenue growth mainly comes from:

Account	2023	2022	Increase	% Movement
Trading Income				
Senior Subscriptions	103,821.26	42,362.87	61,458.39	145.08%
Sponsorship Income	20,618.66	4,215.59	16,403.07	389.10%
Beginners Fees	35,010.49	21,499.88	13,510.61	62.84%
Refreshments Income	18,491.19	8,952.32	9,538.87	106.55%
Junior Subscriptions	30,994.33	23,411.16	7,583.17	32.39%
	208,935.93	100,441.82	108,494.11	108.02%

Operational expenditure (\$175.5K) appears to be similar to Year 2022 (\$173K).

Year 2023's Net Profit looks a lot healthier compared to Year 2022 ending at \$19.8K or 136% increase.

We received a grant of \$30K from Lion Foundation.

REPORT MOVED: Noleine Tyler-Davies / Seconded: Chris Marshall

7. CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT

As stated by the president we came second in the Howick Challenge and newly minted Milford Challenge, however the myriad of interclub competitions, and club champs made for a competitive season.

A huge thanks to Grant Borrie and Andrew Spence for the blood, sweat, tears, and bribery that went into putting together the club champs stating it is a massive task, and the time involved can't be underestimated.

Thanks, also, to Dean Smith, for his time and commitment as the men's club captain over the past 3 years. It's no small task and we appreciate his dedication and the great job he has done.

Chelsea Cup

Our Chelsea Cup teams had another amazing season. Due to the damage suffered by our courts from the flooding, we weren't able to hold double headers which impacted support.

The men's team made it through to the semi-final, pipped for a finals spot by Browns Bay. The team was managed by Dean Smith and captained by Aden Borlase-Mills.

The women's team took out the title beating Milford Alvarium Angels 5-3 in the final. The girls were captained by Laura Isbey and managed by Stella Cliffe.

A big thank you to our Chelsea Cup sponsors, Julie Shand of Northcote Ray White, and Burger King, for the support and interest in our Chelsea Cup teams throughout the season.

Interclub

31 teams competed across the Summer North Harbour interclub competitions, two less than last year with fewer grades and more teams playing in each grade.

Two teams competed in the Ladies singles competition with our second team coming in a respectable 2nd in the grade.

Seven teams played in the Ladies doubles competition, one up from last year with our Ladies WD4 taking out their grade.

Seven teams battled it out in the Men's Singles.

Seven teams also battled it out in the Men's Doubles this year, including a team of first timers.

REPORT MOVED: Jane Davis / Seconded: Andre Williams

8. JUNIOR CONVENOR'S REPORT

The 2022/2023 junior season has been a successful one with none of the last few years disruptions. Both pre- and post-Christmas we were able to complete our full coaching program over this period and our teams competed well in all competitions.

This year there were 135 junior interclub players which meant we fielded a total of 28 interclub teams.

Thanks to all the parents who managed the teams this season doing a magnificent job in ensuring that the season ran smoothly.

A huge thanks also to Deanne, who spends endless hours ringing players and encouraging them to come and play. This makes a big difference in ensuring our playing numbers remain high and all the children can have an opportunity to play.

Finally, thanks to the children who participated in the program, their enthusiasm and sportsmanship shown is admirable.

REPORT MOVED: Dean Smith / Seconded: Leigh Elliott

9. MIDWEEK

Northcote fielded 11 interclub teams with no wins and two possible relegations.

Thanks to Rachelle and Louise and also a big thanks to Deanne who continues to feed through new players from her fabulous coaching and tennis aerobics sessions.

Albeit there is a struggle with Thursday mornings it is a work in progress.
Acknowledgement made of the sad passing of midweek player Phil Johnson earlier in the year.

The various events held through the year had many members participating and fun was had by all.

Sheets are up for the 2023/24 season Midweek Committee as well as the Interclub Selection Panel. These will be voted in at the Midweek AGM scheduled for Thursday 22nd June 11am.

The movie fundraiser earned enough money to cover the small tournaments throughout the year and also left a healthy bank balance as at 31 March.

REPORT MOVED: Rachelle Smith / Seconded: Marilyn Hitchcock

10. **APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR FOR 2023/2024**

Motion put that Paul Collins from Accounting for Charities Trust be appointed as our auditor.

Motion CARRIED

11. **SUBSCRIPTIONS 2023/24**

Senior fees to be kept the same as prices went up last year.

Proposal to increase juniors' fees from \$285 to \$300 – to cover two terms of coaching, interclub fees and balls.

Motion CARRIED

12. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Role	Person nominated	Nominated by	Seconded by	Result
President	Kirsty Speedy	Chris Marshall	Marian Koerselman	PASSED
Secretary	Rachel Henderson	Jacinda Bowring	Chris Marshall	PASSED
Treasurer	Andre Williams	Sandra Keaney	Grant Borrie	PASSED
Club Captain ((Mens)	Dean Farquhar	Kirsty Speedy	Andre Williams	PASSED
Club Captain (Ladies)	Leigh Elliott	Rachel Henderson	Noleine Tyler-Davies	PASSED
Social Convenor	Sarah Stratford	Marian Koerselman	Jane Davis	PASSED

Junior Convenor				UNFILLED
Maintenance				UNFILLED

The maintenance role may be outsourced. Hopefully the enactment of the planned facility plan will put in place a 5, 10, 15 year maintenance plan.

The junior convenor role will be discussed at the first committee meeting with a thought that it consists of a committee with one person attending committee meetings ie spreading the role.

13. **PRESIDENTS AWARD** Awarded to Andre Williams.

14. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

The Council have referred the issue of painting yellow lines on the drive to AT.

Noleine has also contacted the council and been given Parks & Public spaces contact and job number. They are aware of the fact of it also being a H&S issue, but no date was given as to when this would be looked into.

The drain (beside court 1) has been cleared twice by Dutton Stormwater. Albeit the Council are responsible, continual hounding will be required.

The incoming committee will keep hounding the Council in relation to the upkeep fo the creek alongside court 4.

The new turf was put over the drain on courts 5&6 but will be looked at. These courts will need more time to settle. The underservice albeit tar seal was excellent condition meaning these may become the courts to play on when settled!

Meeting closed at 3.45pm.

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President



AGENDA

NORTHCOTE LAWN TENNIS CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2023

Venue: Northcote Tennis Clubhouse
Date: Sunday, 18th of June 2023
Time: 3pm

1. President's Welcome – Kirsty Speedy
2. Apologies
3. Move minutes from AGM 2022
4. Matters arising from AGM Minutes, 26th of June 2022
5. President's Report
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Club Captain's Report
8. Junior Convenor's Report
9. Appointment of Auditor for 2023/24
10. Subscriptions 2023/24
11. Election of Officers
12. President's Award
13. General business