

# **Darwin Tennis Association Inc.**

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## **Summary of DTA Committee Meeting 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018, 7pm at Gardens Tennis**

**Present:** Charles Webb (Chair), Ruth O'Brien, Jane Sheehan, Lindsay Hutley, Luke Black, Natalie La Pira, Luke Black, Clare Beacham

### **Minutes of previous meeting:**

As the minutes of the meeting of 5<sup>th</sup> February had only been distributed shortly before the meeting, Committee members were requested to consider them after the meeting for ratification at the next meeting.

### **Correspondence:**

- Letter of thanks to Minister Lauren Moss in relation to FACE grant for shed installation
- Formal letter of offer of funding of \$28000 to upgrade the storage facilities, from Sport and Recreation of NTG Department of Tourism and Culture
- Letter for approval from Tennis Australia for \$14994.78 from NCRS for lighting installation
- Signed Tennis NT affiliation forms. Payment to be made in due course
- Information from NTG Sport and Recreation re Masters' Games

### **Matters arising from previous meeting:**

- Update on investigation of DTA by NT Licensing
- A list of members provided by the service provider was considered for ratification. New members on the list were ratified with the exception of those for which the required full address details had not been provided. The consideration of the ratification of four members was held over
- The Vice-President to liaise with parents regarding the formation of a junior subcommittee

### **President's Report:**

Activities undertaken included meeting with the Manager of Tennis NT to discuss a possible CBF application and progress on development of court remediation strategies for Gardens Tennis (with Steve Marquis of Tennis Australia), tour of new Marrara Regional Tennis Centre

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Cash at bank \$72,1010.33. Sinking fund \$28,016.12 Junior Account \$7,442.82. Current balance less unacquitted grants \$62,111.67. Item of note Shed upgrade grant received \$28,000 current quote is \$35,000.

### **Report from Executive of Committee:**

Meetings of Executive members with NT Licensing, Professor Charlie Fairfield, and discussions regarding a Community Benefit Fund application were noted

### **Report from Top End Tennis:**

The report from Top End Tennis was discussed including the possibility of gaining assistance in securing a new sponsor for the upcoming tournament at Gardens, sponsorship of new court signage, the situation with sponsorship with Southern Cross and the status of a search for a new TET administrative employee

### **Subcommittee Reports:**

#### **Grants**

A formal letter of offer and a funding agreement for a \$28,000 NTG FACE grant for storage improvements were noted along with confirmation of a Tennis Australia National Court Rebate Scheme grant to assist with the cost of installation of new LED lights. Progress on developing an application for a second Community Benefit Fund grant was discussed along with the possibility of accessing funding from a Darwin City Council grant scheme

#### **Infrastructure**

Work in progress by Court Tech of Brisbane to prepare advice on short and medium-term strategies and approaches to maintain and develop viable and improved court infrastructure at Gardens was noted. Information from Professor Fairfield that the Cardno report was very sound and good value for money, that significant ground works are required for sustainable court development and that superficial resurfacing would have a very limited life with major problems re-emerging within a very short period

#### **Sponsorship**

Members of Committee to work on ideas for sponsorship and set up a more formalised effort to attract sponsors

### **Next meeting:**

9<sup>th</sup> April 2018