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Annual General Meeting Minutes 6th AGM (as Incorporated body) Sunday 25th October 2020

President Ralph Muir-Morris opened the ZOOM meeting at 5.05pm and thanked everyone for their attendance.

Attendance: 25 members joined - Ralph & Deb logged who attended via Zoom waiting room/participants: Ralph Muir-Morris, Debra Bolic, Rohan Appleton, Wes Horskins, Malcolm McRae, Parag Manihar, Andrew McVean, Sarah Bullen, Glen & Jo Mescher, Kathleen Egan, Heath Poustie, Jim Bland, Andy & June Eger, Sarah Bullen, Cathy Van Der Zee, Chris & Marina Woods, Sarah Preston, Jaiyan Lu, Bronwyn Hardisty, Ian Fuelscher, Clive Edmonds, Renato Moriera (at 5.30pm)

Apologies: Di Hamilton, Ian Reade, Paul Turra (Auditor) - *Deb forgot to advise Paul's apology at the meeting.*

Acceptance of the Previous Minutes:

It was proposed that the Minutes of the AGM, held Sunday 10th November 2019, were a true and correct record of that meeting.

Proposed: Bronwyn Hardisty Seconded: Glenn Mescher CARRIED

President's Report:

Ralph advised he wouldn't read his whole speech, which can be found in the EDM to members on 4th September 2020, "EMTC 2020-21 Board of Directors - Nominations now open".

Ralph spoke briefly about what was in his spiel, including:

It has been an interesting year and Ralph has been reflecting on our relationships - including our membership base; external bodies - Tennis Aust & Tennis Vic; Wes & FTA; Robin & Helen & Lindsay; and how everyone has done their best. Everyone has pitched in and tried to work together as best they can. We look close to coming through the other side of this COVID year and hopefully all courts are open soon, with Social tennis and competition back on.

Facilities: He spoke about the fantastic news regarding our Facility re-development in the Stonnington Council 2020-21 Budget and beyond (also in his spiel in the above EDM).

Ralph had a preliminary meeting during the week with Facilities Manager at Stonnington re the Clubhouse and courts. As a committee we will try and influence what things we need to serve the club as well as possible. There may be changes, as he has been advised a couple courts are not 'up to size' and may need reconfiguring. It is very early times with Council, and they don't have the Budget this financial year to start developing & designing the upgrade (due to COVID). The process will more likely start next FY and in a couple of year's time we will have a new Clubhouse, and upgraded surrounds, (fencing etc) depending on funds available. We may have to contribute funds towards some of this.

Competition: Due to COVID-19 we were lucky to get the weekend Summer 19-20 season finals complete, except for BRTA who cancelled on Grand Final day. Our Sec9 team became Premiers without having to hit a 'final' ball. Our WDTA Juniors & Seniors were lucky to complete their finals, and we came away with 2 x JNR Premiers & 3 Runners up; and 2 x SNR Runners up. Well done to everyone. Night Competition, and Midweek ladies did not finish their seasons.

Club Championships: These were unable to be held this year due to COVID-19. Hopefully they will back in 2021.

Christmas Function & Parent/Child Tournament - it is highly unlikely we will be able to hold this in December due to restrictions, and time available to organise it. We may be able to have a mini celebration in the new year.

Thank you to: All Committee members who do the hard work, those members who help out, and Wes & FTA for always working with us. Thanks to Deb for her endless amount of effort again this year. As elaborated on in EDM.

Treasurer's Report:

Andrew presented the Treasurer's report (copy attached), along with the audited 2020 Financial Report. A big thanks to Deb for doing the books, in conjunction with him. Andrew reported we amazingly made a small trading profit this year, which was also an improvement on last year, and the Club is still strong financially. There was a reduction in Income, along with Expenses, even though we had to continue to run the Club. Andrew spoke about the impact of COVID-19, and this wouldn't really be felt until the 2021 Report (FY2020/21). It will be an incredible challenge this year, taking into account the current situation over these last four months (July-Oct). This includes us changing our annual membership cycle this year, which means 25% less in income, before any other factors are included.

A link to the **Financial Report was included in the AGM reminder sent on Friday. ** Please note - this report did not have the Signed pages 4 & 16 included due to COVID, as Deb had to get physical signatures> They will be included when the Auditor provides his final signature.

Andrew explained Sundry Income - Other \$10K which was Insurance that was offset by expenses (Pool Maintenance) to fix the Solar system damaged by the hail event in January 2020.

There weren't any questions from the floor regarding the Annual Report, and members were reminded they can email Deb in the office if they have any queries.

Andrew MOVED that the Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements for 2019/20 be accepted.

Seconded: Jim Bland

CARRIED

Debra recommended we accept Scott Partners \$1560 + GST Auditor's Quote for the 2020 Audit (no increase on last year again).

The quorum agreed with this recommendation.

CARRIED

25 Years' Membership:

We have two members reaching this special milestone in 2020: Sue Taylor and Peter Goldberg.

Unfortunately, they are unable to attend the AGM to receive her Certificate. Deb will present it later.

Office Bearers for 2020/21:

The five (of nine) positions available for election this year were elected unopposed:

- Vice President - Chris Woods
- Treasurer - Andrew McVean
- Director 1 - Rohan Appleton
- Director 2 - Tony Lane
- Director 3 - Parag Manihar

AGM Court Talk:

Deb advised this has not been done this year, due to COVID-19. Most of the information that normally goes in the printed Court Talk has been relayed to members via our regular EDM's. Deb will continue to include results from competitions, including photos, and relevant information about the Club during the year etc. in the EDM's.

Other Business:

Marina asked when the Pool is going to be open, as currently closed due to COVID. Ralph advised the current restrictions of '10 patrons per facility' mean it cannot open now. When the rules change Stonnington Council will then advise if we can open the pool, and under what restrictions (if any).

Ralph spoke about Clubs opening as soon as the Premier makes his announcement, and how this works for EMTCC. Those who are privately owned can open as soon as they like, whereas clubs like us have to wait for council approval. FYI Tennis Vic advised there were three other Councils who made their clubs wait '5 business days' before opening, whether they were ready or not. Other Clubs have council locks on their gates and some took up to three weeks to open last time.

Tony asked Deb to explain our 'updated' address - why. Deb explained with the Monash Freeway going in and boundary changes then, 15 Moira St Glen Iris 3146 is where we are officially located (even numbers are the other side of the street). All Govt/Council use <https://mapshare.vic.gov.au/vicplan/> for locations and panning. This is what Google Maps also uses. If you look at suburb, and Council, boundaries they are very messy. With both the Freeway and Train line we are right on the boundary of Glen Iris, Malvern East and Ashburton.

Ralph reiterated we will stay proactive with Council regarding the Club re-development. Ralph also said he is happy to see a healthy Wes back at the Club, and with us today.

As there was no other business **Ralph declared the meeting closed at 5.39pm**, and thanked members for taking the time to join us via Zoom today. Hopefully next year we will be back in the Clubhouse, and able to socialise afterwards.