

# Box Hill Tennis Club | 2019-20





Annual Report 2019-2020

**AGM July 28, 2020** 

ABN 97 539 412 692 Cnr Station and Cyril Streets Box Hill South

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# **Message from President: Simon Clarke**

This year Box Hill Tennis Club celebrates its 125th Anniversary. The club was initially formed as part of Box Hill Cricket Club and the first courts were constructed in September 1895 on the recreation reserve adjacent to what is now Box Hill High School. The Committee had planned an event to commemorate this, however that has been put on hold due to the Covid-19 pandemic. We hope to still commemorate this at the end of this year.



As for everyone the last year has been one of ups and downs for the club. We have had significant improvements to our facility, and we have been affected by the disruption of the first half of 2020.



In the second half of 2019 we received a large grant from the Federal Government for the refurbishment of the clubhouse and the upgrading of the court lighting. I would like to record our thanks to the federal member for Chisholm, Gladys Liu, for securing this funding. To this point we have been able to renovate the bathrooms, replace the clubhouse windows and doors with modern structures, paint the exterior of

the clubhouse and replace our gas heater with an efficient reverse cycle system. The next stage will be to replace all the halide court lighting with LED lights and replace the four tall light towers with towers similar to those on the other courts. Currently we are awaiting a planning permit from Whitehorse Council to undertake this, which we anticipate completing by November 2020. The Committee views the lighting upgrade as an important undertaking, as it will significantly reduce our power bill, which is one of the major costs for the club.

The other major change for the club in the last year has been the introduction of the Book-a-Court system. I would to thank members for their patience in putting up with the hiccups in rolling out this system. Hopefully most of those have been overcome, and the system seems to be working relatively smoothly. The installation of Book-a-Court was supported by funding from Tennis Australia and Federal Government. We anticipated that this system would



earn the club \$2000-3000 per year, which would mean we would recover our investment with one year. However, within the first half of this year we have already earned almost \$1800. As well as the income this provides for the club, this will hopefully be an important source of new members.

The attendance at the 2019 Christmas event was fantastic, and everyone had a great time. It provides us with a tremendous opportunity to meet with members and to acknowledge the achievements of players and volunteers. The Committee had planned to extend the social and fundraising activities; however, those plans are currently on hold.

Finally, I would like to thank the efforts of the Committee over the last year. To our Vice-President, Simon Verbeek, for supervising Pennant tennis and wrestling with BAS. To our Secretary, Richard Scott, for the smooth running of meetings and keeping us honest. To our Treasurer, Chloe Verbeek, for her clear and efficient management of finances. To our Membership Officer, Jill Ross, for the myriad tasks in maintaining and growing our membership. To our Head Coach, Alexei Demajo, for supervising our fantastic coaching and junior programs. To Jan-Paul Buxton for his work in facilitating the refurbishment of the clubhouse, and to Rod Petrie, Robert Lane and Andrew Halliday for the lemon iced tea, and their willing assistance with grants, and at committee meetings, working bees and club functions. And although they are not on the committee, I would like to thank Allan Edge for the management of the BDNTA teams and Philip Thompson for the management of the ERT Seniors teams.

# **Maintenance Report**

Over the last year we have had four working bees. The main tasks have been:

- \* Regular grooming of the courts.
- \* Installation of new nets on the upper courts.
- \* General maintenance of clubhouse and environs.
- \* Repainting the lines in carpark for possibly first time since they were laid in 1966.

I would like to thank all the club members who volunteered their time to help with these.

# Awards and Recognition

#### Senior Club Member of the Year: Jill Ross

Jill Ross has been actively involved with Box Hill Tennis Club since the start of this century, when her children starting playing junior tennis. She has served on the Social and Fundraising Subcommittee, including as coordinator, and has been a Committee member since 2015. Since 2016 she has been Membership Coordinator and has transitioned our membership from a spreadsheet based system to the current online system. This was a very significant task, and during that time she has also managed the usual membership tasks with efficiency and civility.

With her gentle leadership style she always manages to rally support of willing helpers at working bees, club functions and generally reaching out to members. If there is large scale catering to be organised Jill manages this with a self-sufficiency and enormous capacity that is awesome.

Jill Ross is a model volunteer that Clubs rely on.

# **Life Membership: Kim Trengrove**

Kim Trengove joined Box Hill Tennis Club in 2002, at the same time as her sons started playing at the club. She joined the Committee in 2004 and has served on the Committee continuously since then. She is now stepping down after 15 years of continuous service to the club.



During that time, Kim has served as:

- \* Convenor of the Social and Tournament Committee from 2005 to 2007.
- \* Served on the Selection Committee and Junior Committee.
- \* Editor of the Club Newsletter 2007-2012.
- \* Committee Secretary 2013-2019.

Kim also has a very strong record as a playing member of the club, in the ERT and Victorian Pennant competitions.

Highlights of her playing career at Box Hill include:

- \* Captain of the Women's Pennant Team from 2005, including winning the Grade 5 Women's Pennant flag in 2007. This is the only success Box Hill has had in this competition in 50 years.
- \* Winner in 2004 with Charlotte James of the Club Women's Double Championship.

In recognition of her achievements, Kim was awarded the Club Member of the Year for 2007. And for her continuous service to the social, administrative and playing life of the club, she has been made a Life Member of Box Hill Tennis Club.

#### BHTC Junior Club Member of the Year: Tim Wilson

The Box Hill TC Junior Club Member of the year award has been awarded to Tim Wilson. Tim has been playing for the club for the past 7 years never missing a Summer or Winter Season. He has also been a part of the coaching program for the past 9 years. He has consistently been a team captain, participated in Club events and over the past 12 months began learning what it takes to be a coach with Future Demand Tennis. He has also devoted a great deal of the year to be trained in the art of stringing which he hopes to take on independently in the near future. Tim is well liked and respected amongst his fellow juniors and is a worthy winner of this award. Congratulations Tim!



# Steve Collett Award 2019: Hugo Halliday



The Steve Collett Award was awarded to Hugo Halliday for 2019. Throughout the past couple of years Hugo has worked extremely hard on his game which has seen him play Rubbers 1 on a Sunday and up to Rubbers 8 on a Saturday. He has also been selected to represent the Eastern Region in their Association Junior Leagues (Junior Pennant) over the past season. This competition brings together the best kids in metropolitan Melbourne to compete on a weekly basis.

Hugo attends our weekly performance squad on a Friday, he has a weekly private Lesson with Raveesh plus Hugo has also devoted time to athletic development by joining our Athletic Development program at the club.

He can also be seen regularly practicing during the holidays with his great friend Dylan!

We hope that this award will continue to inspire Hugo to keep up the hard work and continue to take his game to the next level!

# Reports

# **Membership Report: Jill Ross**

Our membership for the 2019/2020 financial year continues to be strong, with the total number of members being 286, which is a slight decrease from the previous year (301) and this can be contributed largely to the inability to run competitions such as pennant due to Covid-19.

Once again, I would like to thank the following contributors who through their continued commitment and efforts, enable the membership of the club to remain healthy:

- A vibrant night tennis competition, coordinated by Allan Edge
- An excellent coaching program provided by Alexei Demajo (Future Demand Tennis)
- Coordinator of Saturday/Sunday ERT and Pennant competitions, Simon Verbeek
- The Committee, led by President Simon Clarke, who give up many hours to ensure that the membership have access to fantastic facilities at BHTC



Each year we are seeking to improve the membership administration in the hope of reducing the amount of time and effort spent recovering membership fees. We will continue to use the 'My Tennis' portal to send out invoices for the upcoming membership year with a view to investigating other options.

The process for new members to join the club has been revised and as such we now request that no payments for membership are to be made until the following processes are completed:

- A new membership form is to be sent to the Committee President and Membership Officer for approval
- The form is to be tabled at the monthly committee meeting
- Once approved, an email is to be sent to the potential member providing payment options

All members will receive their 2020/2021 membership renewal invoices in the weeks following the Annual General Meeting and will have 4 weeks to complete their payment. It is therefore important that all members advise the club of any contact detail changes, especially email addresses as this is our key means of communication within the club.

# **Coaching Report: Head Coach Alexei Demajo**

Despite the COVID19 interruption the coaching program has continued to grow over the past year with over 230 players participating in lessons during the week and on weekends. Our Hot Shots Blue and Red Stage program (3-8 years of age) continues to thrive with extremely high numbers taking lessons. This bodes well for a long term sustainable program and growth for the club. Our Performance Program Pathways have continued to develop as we now deliver Invitational Squads at Orange & Green Ball Level to complement our squad program from our older athletes. We recently staged our first Interclub challenge match with players from Box Hill TC competing against players from Gracedale Park TC, HE Parker Reserve TC in a Home & Away format playing Doubles and Singles over the two weeks. The tournament was a huge success and we look forward to growing this concept in the future.



We continue to develop our players with 10 players representing the ERT in last season's Junior Pennant (AJL) and similar numbers nominated for the 2020 competition (providing it goes ahead). We continued our strong relationships with local primary and high schools delivering Sporting Schools programs to Roberts McCubbin PS, free clinics to the Kingswood College Junior School and running the Kingswood College Senior School (Yr 7-12) tennis program.

Our Summer installment of the FAST4 Adult In House Doubles Comp was a big success despite some heatouts and washouts during the very weird summer period. Unfortunately, due to COVID19 the Winter installment was not able to go ahead.

Looking ahead to the upcoming year we are aiming to achieve the following goals:

- Deliver a new girls only program designed to introduce 10-14 year olds to the sport and progress them into competition tennis
- Continue to grow our Performance program by adding the missing Invitational Squads to our Tennis Pathway at Box Hill TC
- Maintain the high number of Junior Teams representing the club in weekend ERT competition
- Introduce and maintain a sustainable Cardio Tennis Program for Adults at the club
- Further growth in regard to Tournament offerings at BHTC and the potential to stage an Australian Money Tournament in the next year.

# Junior Competition Report: Head Coach Alexei Demajo

Box Hill TC continues to be one of the top two premier clubs in the Eastern Region when it comes to ERT Junior Teams participation. Over the Summer 2019/2020 season the club entered 32 teams in the Saturday and Sunday morning competitions with sections ranging from Rubbers 2 through to entry level Red Ball Doubles. Throughout the year, we continue to attract new players predominantly due to the fact that we have an expansive range of sections on offer and the positive environment they have experienced when playing at BHTC in the past. Our Winter numbers historically drop due to the high number of players who play football with team numbers between 21-24. Unfortunately Winter 2020 season has been cancelled due to COVID19.

We are looking forward to a big Summer Season so all the kids can get back to competing.

## **ERT Seniors Competition Report: Simon Clarke**

Thanks to Philip Thompson for being ERT Senior Coordinator over many years. Philip stepped down this year due to family responsibilities.

In the Winter 2019 season Box Hill only had one side in the Saturday afternoon OS6 division. This team captained by Allan Edge won the Grand Final.

In the Summer 2019/2020 season in the Saturday afternoon competition Box Hill had two teams in SD2, and one in each of SD3, SD6 and OS5. On Sunday afternoon we had one team in the OSD1 division. The SD6 team captained by Will Thompson won their Grand Final. The SD2 team captained by Calum Kennedy-Moore lost to St Marys in the Grand Final, while the OS5 team captained by Allan Edge and the OSD1 team captained by Calum Kennedy-Moore lost in the semi-finals. Congratulations to all teams on your seasons.

Unfortunately, the Winter 2020 season has been cancelled.

# **Night Tennis Report: Night Tennis Convenor Allan Edge**

## 2020 – Upcoming Spring Season (Due to start 27th July, now delayed)

- We have nominated 24 teams. Mon 5 Ladies and 1 Open, Tues 6 Open, Wed 6 Open and Thurs 6 Open
- There are over 120 regular night players, plus other emergencies
- With a good range of team sections we are catering for players of all standards.

## 2019 Spring Season

- Good results. Of 23 teams we had 10 in finals, 7 in grand-finals and won 4 premierships
- Premierships: Monday Sec 6 'B Team', Tuesday Sec 4 'Racque Off', Thurs SD 1 'Trailblazers' and SD 4 'Racqueteers'.



#### 2019 Autumn Season

- Excellent results. Of 24 teams we had 16 in finals, 5 in grand-finals and won 5 premierships
- Premierships: Monday Sec 7 'B Team', Tuesday Sec 6 'Racque Off', Wednesday Sec 3 'Well Strung' and Sec 8 'Always Class', and Thursday Sec 1 S/D 'Trailblazers'.

#### Special team mentions (up to 2019 Spring Season)

- Monday Team 'B Team' 2 consecutive premierships since joining the club
- Tuesday Team 'Racque Off' have won 3 consecutive premierships
- Thursday Team 'Trailblazers' have won 3 consecutive premierships



#### Plans for Future

- A new curfew on the back courts from the current time of 9pm to potentially 10pm.
- We were able to move matches to Eley Park last season and, if additional capacity is required to prevent court overloading, we have agreement to do so in the future for midweek matches.

#### **Seeking Players**

We are always looking for more night players at all playing standards, whether as constant regulars, part-timers or emergencies. Please contact Allan Edge 0429 968 085 if interested in playing night tennis in any capacity.

## **Pennant Report: Simon Verbeek**

The Box Hill Tennis Club had four teams participating in the Tennis Victoria Pennant competition. The club entered teams in grade three, grade four and two grade seven teams. All teams were competitive in their grading and in particular the grade four team, which made it through to the third weeks of finals.

# Treasurer's Report: Chloe Verbeek

The 2019/2020 has been an exciting year for the club from a financial perspective with the club receiving four grants totalling \$153,089 (including GST). Of this, \$143,000 is in relation to the refurbishment of the clubhouse and the installation of new lights towers and LED globes. To date the club has spent approximately \$82,500 of the refurbishment grant with the remainder planned to be spent in 2020/2021.

To receive the grants the club was required to register for the GST and complete quarterly Business Activity Statements (BAS). As part of this requirement, the club has had to pass on any GST it receives to the ATO minus the GST it has been charged.



During the year the club transferred \$60,000 from the redraw facility into the operating account to have funds available to make payments for the refurbishment costs to assist in progressing the works. Consequently, the club's loan increased with a current balance of \$76,570 and the savings account has increased to a current balance of \$159,794.

In the 2019/20 financial year, Box Hill Tennis Club made a surplus of \$82,492. The surplus is primarily due to the following:

- The club received the following grants:
  - o \$143,000 (GST Inclusive) Australian Government
  - o \$3,089 (GST inclusive) Victorian government Active club grants
  - o \$1,000 Victorian Government
  - \$6,000 Tennis Australia Book a court
- Insurance payment of \$6,480 due to damage to the clubhouse from the hot water system leaking.

Much of the surplus is unspent funds committed to the refurbishment costs that are expected to be completed in 2020/2021.

When you factor out the refurbishment grant and the associated costs, the club has effectively operated the year with an approximate surplus of \$21,000. This is down on previous years, which is primarily due to COVID 19.



COVID 19 has had a significant impact on the club's income with reductions in the following items:

- Membership (approximately \$4,100)
- Night tennis (approximately \$3,900)
- Court hire (approximately \$6,000)

COVID 19 has also reduced our expenses for the following items:

- Association and team entry fees (\$1,895)
- External court hire (\$727)



'Book a court' was introduced during the year which allows the general public to hire the courts online. The cost to purchase and install this was approximately \$12,000 and the club received a \$6,000 grant from Tennis Australia as an incentive to have it installed and make tennis more accessible to the general public. This has provided the club with additional income of \$1,724 since it commenced in early February 2020. The club is experiencing a healthy growth with hire fees from 'Book a court' and the system is expected to pay for itself in the not too distant future and provide the club with ongoing income.

The City of Whitehorse rates notice this year identified the site value of the club at approximately \$5 million, which is significantly up since the last site value of \$3.13 million.

The strong financial position of the Club has been made possible due to the following contributors:

- Simon Clarke (President) who generously provides much of his time to identify and pursue grants, manages projects and tirelessly researches initiatives for the betterment of the club.
- The number of committee members who contributed much of their free time in completing applications for grants that required written submissions, quotes and numerous meetings.
- Anne Smyth (Club Bursar) who does a tremendous job in collecting and banking the cash received from night tennis, memberships and ball fees.
- Jill Ross (Memberships) for collecting membership fees, on boarding new members and overall management of memberships. The membership fees continue to be a large portion of our income.
- Allan Edge (Night Convenor) for organising a large number of night teams which brings in a significant income of \$14,158.

Thank you to the committee and members for their work and contribution towards Box Hill Tennis Club's healthy financial position.

# **BOX HILL TENNIS CLUB Inc**

ABN 97 539 412 692 - Reg No A 0019 963F

# Cash Operating Statement - 12mth to 30/06/20

Year	2020_	2019	2018
Income			
Memberships	\$34,280	\$38,385	\$40,654
Competitions			
Night Tennis	\$14,158	\$18,128	\$17,520
Ball Fees	\$1,438	\$2,826	\$3,782
Sub-Total	\$15,596	\$20,954	\$21,301
Sundry			
Court Hire - Future Demand Tennis	\$12,583	\$13,750	\$12,255
Court Hire - Kingswood College	\$3,990	\$8,828	\$8,280
Court hire - Book a court	\$1,724	\$0	\$0
Court Hire - Chinese Social night &	4		4
other	\$245	<b>\$</b> 0	\$2,279
Social Tennis	\$0	\$1,319	\$905
Misc (Insurance)	\$6,480	\$0	\$76
Apparel (Net)	\$0	\$55	\$145
Sub-Total Sub-Total	\$25,022	\$23,952	\$23,940
Grants	\$153,089	\$0	\$0
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Total Income	\$227,986	\$83,290	\$85,895
Expenditure			
Tennis			
Tennis Balls	\$4,545	\$4,037	\$7,037
Association Fees & Fines	\$4,460	\$6,355	\$5,780
External Court hire	\$2,030	\$2,757	\$3,867
Sub-total	\$11,035	\$13,149	\$16,684

Repairs, Maintenance & General			
Sanitary Unit	\$932	\$891	\$842
Cleaning	\$2,951	\$3,740	\$2,066
General	\$6,559	\$22,332	\$13,618
Sub-total	\$10,442	\$26,963	\$16,526
Utilities			
Electricity	\$6,343	\$6,640	\$4,760
Rates	\$3,120	\$3,124	\$2,831
Water	\$870	\$850	\$817
Gas	\$457	\$451	\$452
Phone	\$0	\$56	\$302
Sub-total Sub-total	\$10,790	\$11,120	\$9,162
Administration			
Loan Repay (Interest)	\$3,411	\$2,294	\$4,883
ATO - GST	\$9,572	\$0	\$0
Insurance	\$2,027	\$1,852	\$1,583
Administration	\$0	\$2,334	\$807
Sub-total	\$15,010	\$6,480	\$7,273
Refurbishments			
Clubhouse upgrade	\$82,531	\$0	\$0
Airconditioner	\$4,000	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
Book a court purchase	\$4,600 \$11,686	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
Sub-total		· ·	· ·
Jub-total	\$98,217	\$0	\$0
Total Expenses	\$145,494	\$57,712	\$49,645
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Surplus/Deficit	\$82,492	\$25,578	\$36,250

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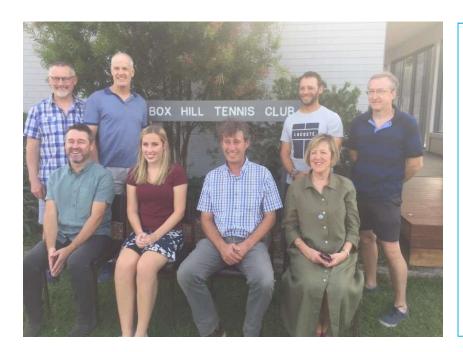
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Statement of Financial Position as at 30th June 2019

Year		2020	2019	2018
Assets				
Current Assets				
ANZ Cheque		\$6,095	\$5,636	\$5,636
Bendigo Bank		\$153,699	\$22,616	\$11 <i>,</i> 376
Debtors		\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total Current			
	Assets	\$159,794	\$28,252	\$17,012
Fixed Assets				
Land		\$5,005,000	\$3,130,000	\$3,130,000
Club House		\$85,066	\$85,066	\$85 <i>,</i> 066
Courts - Top 4		\$104,919	\$104,919	\$104,919
Courts - Bottor	n 3	\$154,435	\$154,435	\$154,435
Fence		\$8,780	\$8,780	\$8,780
Other Fixed As	sets	\$65,008	\$65,008	\$65,008
	Total Fixed Assets	\$5,423,208	\$3,548,208	\$3,548,208
	Total Assets	\$5,583,002	\$3,576,460	\$3,565,220
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Liabilities				
Current Liabilit	ies			
	Total Current Liabilities	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Non-Current Li	abilities			
Bendigo Bank I	Loan	\$76,570	\$27,978	\$42,316
3	Total Non-Current Liabilities	\$76,570	\$27,978	\$42,316
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	Total Liabilities	\$76,570	\$27,978	\$42,316

Members Fund	ds			
Reserves				
Steve Collett Award Reserve		\$1,851	\$1,392	\$1,392
Asset Revaluation Reserve		\$4,769,620	\$2,894,620	\$2,894,620
	Sub-total	\$4,771,471	\$2,896,012	\$2,896,012
Members Fund	ds			
	Opening Balance	\$652,470	\$626,892	\$590,642
	Surplus/Deficit for the Year	\$82,491	\$25,578	\$36,250
	Sub-total	\$734,961	\$652,470	\$626,892
	Total Liabilities & Members			
	Funds	\$5,583,002	\$3,576,460	\$3,565,220
	Balance	ŚO	\$0	\$0

# BHTC 2019 - 2020



The 2019-2020 BHTC Committee (from left):

Andrew Halliday Richard Scott Simon Verbeek Chloe Verbeek Simon Clarke Alexei Demajo Jill Ross Robert Lane

Absent: Jan Buxton, Rod Petrie

BHTC Life Members (from left): Hugh Hayes Kim Trengove Peter Wright Rhonda Wright Robert Jamieson

Absent: Rodney Jarvis, Alan Heffernan, Graham Forbes





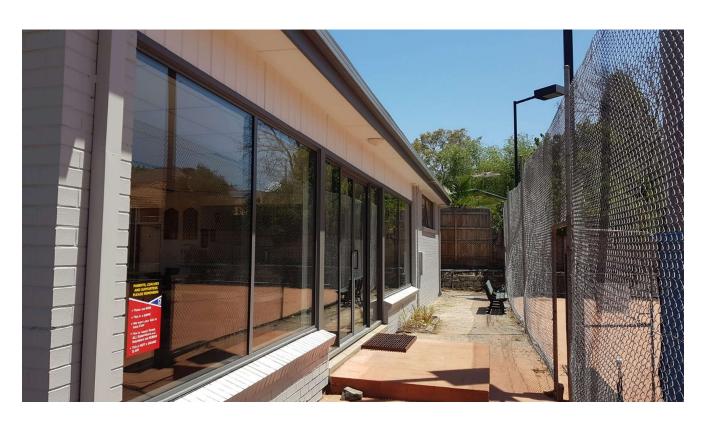
Bathrooms before and after the renovations after the renovation



The new view after the replacement of all windows and doors and repainting.









# Box Hill Tennis Club Annual General Meeting 27 July 2020, 7.30pm

ITEM	
Welcome and Introductions	Simon Clarke
Apologies	Simon Clarke
Approval of 2018-2019 AGM minutes	Simon Clarke
Actions from last minutes	Simon Clarke
President Report	Simon Clarke
Membership Report	Jill Ross
Coaching and Junior Tennis Report	Alexei Demajo
Senior Report	Simon Verbeek
Night Tennis Report	Allan Edge
Treasurer Report (incl acceptance of financial statements)	Chloe Verbeek
Acceptance of Annual Report	Simon Clarke
Fees for 2020-2021	Simon Clarke
Election of office Bearers	Simon Verbeek
General Business	President

## Notice of Motion:

Meeting to be held on Zoom Virtual Meeting Platform ABN 97 539 412 692 Cnr Station and Cyril Streets Box Hill South

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That the following clause be inserted in the Constitution at Section 3.1.15 (after Associated members):

#### Life Membership

Life Membership may be awarded to a member of the Association in recognition of outstanding personal contribution to the Association for a period of at least 10 years. The honour shall be awarded only on the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the day and on resolution of members at an Annual General Meeting of the Association. Life Members shall be accorded all benefits of membership for life, and will be exempt from paying annual subscriptions.

Proposed: Simon Clarke. Seconded: Jan-Paul Buxton.

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Box Hill Tennis Club AGM 2018-19 22 July 2019 7.30 pm

**Welcome and introductions: This is the 85<sup>th</sup> AGM of the BHTC.** Simon welcomes everything including our life members, Hugh Hayes and Rodney Jarvis.

**Apologies:** Ann Smyth, Graham Forbes, Neil Sim, Allan Heffernan, Tim Ross, Gladys Liu, Andrew Davenport, Will Thompson, Sugamar M, Peter Wright.

## Review and acceptance of the minutes 2017-2018 AGM

Simon proposes they are accepted, seconded Rod Petrie. Passed

#### **Actions for the last minutes**

None.

#### **Tabling of reports: See AGM Report for details**

- President's report: Last year has been a year of consolidation for the Club. We started to reintroduce social events, with a successful presentation at the end of the year Reinstating the Junior and Senior Club Member of the Year. We will reinstate the Steve Collett award. Other major projects, investing in the back court fences. Gladys Liu has promised funding of 133k (to be matched by BHTC) to refurbish the Club. We plan to upgrade the men's and women's toilets, extend the fencing on every court and replace the windows in the main clubhouse area. We have also received funding from Tennis Australia and the Federal Government to install Book A Court, using electronic keypads on the front gate to access courts plus and online booking system. This will allow non-members to use the courts (members will have priority) and for BHTC to maximise court occupancy and increase incremental club revenue. We will start trialling the system in September and roll it out in October. We estimate additional revenue per year of \$3000, and the investment will be \$6000. BHTC will be the only BAC club in the Whitehorse area. Simon also thanks members of the Committee who have donated their time to make the Club run so well.
- Coaching report: A good year, numbers remain healthy. We offer anything and everything for our juniors and adults. FDT can deliver most classes and programs. A big increase in 3-5yrs and 6-8yrs red and blue stages. The aim is retention and competition play for the junior base. We have over 60 kids in that age bracket. Trialing a number of kindergarten programs. Eastern Region now offer a red ball program, we have 16-18 kids who can play. FDT will enter at least two teams in the coming summer seasons, plus enter an orange team ... 8-10 years old.
- Junior tennis: 27 teams last summer, we are one of the most successful clubs in the district. 11 made finals. We are also well represented in junior pennant, one of the higher clubs in the region for participation.

- **Membership:** Another strong year, total of 301 members. A slight decrease from last year, but anything in excess of 300 is a great result for the club.
- **Senior teams report:** Phil Thompson has a done a great job with ERT teams. With pennant, we got a grant from Tennis Victoria after getting eight teams in, which we put towards our barbecue. This year we have five teams playing, including a women's team featuring some stand out junior talent. We also acknowledge Allan Edge, for his work in getting so many night teams playing and managing the logistics.
- **Night tennis:** 23 teams in spring season, same as last autumn. This will rise to 26 teams in summer, or exceed. In effect we are at capacity. Sharing court options with Eley Park if we go beyond 26 teams. Eley has a lot of capacity, they are close and they are agreeable. We implemented a night for social tennis on Friday nights, it hasn't been hugely successful but we are going to maintain it. Fast4 is a great avenue for getting new members. A lot of people are coming in at the lower levels. Fast4 provides a format for everyone. 50% of our teams consistently get to finals and a third win those finals, so we have a lot of depth.
- Maintenance report: three major working bees in the last year, and a lot of grooming on the courts. Thanks to Jan Buxton and Simon Verbeek for their contribution. The courts are some of the best courts in the district, in very good shape. Curfew for the back courts ... last year we were going to do a letter drop to our neighbors, but one neighbor complained about night tennis competition going on past 9pm. There is now a lower court cut off at 9.15pm. Once this is in place, we will resume discussions with our neighbors to 10pm.
- Treasurer's report: See Chloe Verbeek's report. Action to investigate and wind up the ANZ cheque account. What happened to the Friday night Chinese social group, led by Yen/John? The committee spoke to him about expectations for a return on usage, and following this discussion the group disappeared. This is one of the reasons we would like to introduce Book a Court. Someone who wants to run a social evening like that will have to book the courts and pay for them according to the set rate. A new LED TV in the clubhouse was donated by Kartik.

#### **Acceptance of financial statements**

Simon proposes accepting the financial reports, seconded David MacDougall. Passed.

## **Acceptance of annual report**

Simon proposes acceptance of the annual report, seconded Rodney Jarvis. Passed.

#### Fees for 2019-20

It is propose that the fee structure for the upcoming year is:

Adult Membership \$180
Junior/Student Membership \$110
Family Membership \$400
Adult Joining Fee (once off) \$30

Proposed Simon Clarke Seconded Jill Ross – Passed.

#### **Election of office bearers:**

**President:** Simon Clarke

Vice President: Simon Verbeek

Secretary: Richard Scott Membership Officer: Jill Ross Treasurer: Chloe Verbeek

General Committee Members: Jan Buxton, Rod Petrie, Andrew Halliday, Robert Lane

Junior Convenor: Alexei Demajo
Night Tennis Convenor: Allan Edge
Pennant Convenor: Simon Verbeek
Senior ERT Convenor: Phil Thompson
Maintenance Convenor: Simon Clarke

**Social Convenor:** Absorbed into the Committee.

#### **General Business**

**Upgrades that will happen in the next 12 months:** upgrading the toilets, the shed out the back, all the glass panels in the clubhouse and to have sliding doors. Externally, we will upgrade the fencing on the upper courts and install LED towers on courts 2 and 3. After than we will consider to this on all other courts, and we will implement the Book a Court system.

Simon would also like to draft a five-year plan of maintenance and funding.

Kim Trengove awarded Life Membership.

Meeting closes: 21.09pm