

MDLTA – AGM – Tuesday 30th August 2011
7.30 pm held at the Gisborne Club rooms

Meeting opened by Leonie Medica at 7.35 pm

Present:

Julie Samson	Kyneton & D	Secretary
Leonie Medica	Gisborne	President
Marg Burns	Sunbury	Fixture Secretary, M & P
Leanne Jones	Sunbury	
June Morton	Sunbury	
Barbara Pye	Bullengarook	
Ros Rodgers	Macedon	
Beth Girdwood	Mount Carmel	
Judy Unwin	Mount Carmel	
Anne Evans	Gisborne	M & P
Maureen Lebner	Melton South	Treasurer
Colleen Goodger	West Melton	
Jo Irwin	New Gisborne	
Robyn Johnston	New Gisborne	
Bronwyn Pemberton	Macedon	
Trish Allen	RiddellsCreek	Vice-President
Lyn Wells	Woodend	Ladder Secretary
Karen Gardner	Kilmore	
Kristine Clement	Kilmore	
Maxine Yates	Macedon	
Leonie Barker	Woodend	
Laura Clark	Woodend	
Thea Fitzpatrick	Diggers Rest	M & P
Bev Beaumont	Romsey	
Michelle Brinkhuis	Romsey	
Catherine Barker	Hanging Rock	
Lisa Mangan	Hanging Rock	
Anna Karopoulos	South Gisborne	M & P
Danielle Borle	Melton South	
Trudy Miles	Melton South	

Clubs not represented: all clubs represented

Apologies: None

Previous AGM 2010 Minutes moved by Ros Rodgers Sec.Barb Pye ,carried

Business arising: none

Reports:

President: Leonie Medica read out the President's report which referred to the introduction of the amended By-laws, grand-final luncheons, Gisborne TC's running of pre-season round-robins, all successful and which thanked: Match & Permit Committee, Executive Committee. Leonie presented Lyn

Wells our out-going Ladder Secretary of 6 years standing with a lovely bouquet. If you would like to read the full document, ask your club representative who attended the meeting.

Treasurer: Maureen Lebner read out the Treasurer's report (if you would like to read the full document, ask your club rep who attended the meeting.)

Balance as at 1.7.10 \$3,535.23

Income 9,853.82

Expenditure 9,432.97

Balance as at 30.6.11 \$3,956.08

Appointment of Auditor, moved J. Samson, sec. Bev Beaumont, that Marian Ciopicz be appointed again –

Carried unanimously

Maureen showed we had made a profit of \$420 for year, spent a lot of money on trophies and luncheons have some outstanding forfeits and registrations but made money on raffles and suggested that we may need to look at raising Team Registrations.

Ladder Secretary: Lyn Wells offered to help the next Ladder Secretary with learning the job, including the website.

Fixture Secretary: Marg Burns signalled that she is going to suggest a change to printing of Fixtures in General Business (see #1 below)

Catherine Barker moved, Anna Karopoulos seconded that all reports be accepted. Carried

Election of Committee:

Leonie, having indicated she would not be standing for any position, occupied the chair for the Committee elections

President **Anna Karopoulos**

Nom: Maureen Lebner

Sec: Julie Samson

Vice President

Nom:

Sec:

Danielle Borle

Trudy Miles

Bev Beaumont

Secretary

Julie Samson

Nom: Leonie Medica

Sec: Marg Burns

Treasurer

Nom.

Sec.

Heather Johnston

Ros Rodgers

Bronwyn Pemberton

Fixture Secretary **Marg Burns**

Nom: Leanne Jones

Sec: June Morton

Ladder Secretary

Nom:

Sec:

Ros Rodgers

Lyn Wells

Leonie Medica

No other nominations received, so all those nominated elected

Carried unanimously

Match & Permit Committee:

Marg Burns Sunbury

Nom: Leanne Jones

Sec: June Morton

Anne Evans Gisborne

Nom: Beth Girdwood

Sec: Judy Unwin

Thea Fitzpatrick D'sRest

Nom: Anne Evans

Sec: Anna Karopoulos

Sonia Deveson New Gisb

Nom: Jo Irwin

Sec: Robyn Johnston

Leonie Barker Woodend

Nom: Laura Clark

Sec: Maureen Lebner

Bev Beaumont Romsey

Nom: Trudy Miles

Sec: Maureen Lebner

Wendy Kerner Macedon

Nom: Ros Rodgers

Sec: Danielle Borle

Carried unanimously

Anna Karopoulos as the **elected President** chaired the rest of the meeting.

General Business:

The following agenda items, which had been received by the Secretary prior to the meeting, were discussed

1. **Time of publishing fixture:** Marg Burns pointed out that because of timing of AGM, the current Winter Fixture now had many redundant details on it. She suggested a solution which would be cheaper and easier to administer.

Motion: That the MDLTA doesn't print a fixture, instead the Fixture Secretary will prepare an email fixture and, after this is checked for accuracy, it will be emailed to each club contact who will then distribute a copy to each team member. Moved: Ros Rodgers, Sec. Barb Pye.

Carried unanimously

2. **Website & Privacy:** Danielle Borle pointed out that in accordance with VTA guidelines, all associations need to make their contacts aware that their phone-numbers will be published in the Fixtures and on the Website. After discussion, it was decided that getting every person who is thus involved to sign a document giving the MDLTA permission was going overboard.

Motion: That the MDLTA will include information on the next lot of Team Registration sheets and the Club Contact sheets that contact phone-numbers will be published.

Moved: Danielle Borle, Sec. Julie Samson **Carried unanimously**

Maureen Lebner pointed out that the Treasurer's and Ladder Secretary's addresses were also published and asked if the MDLTA should use a PO Box instead. Ros Rodgers, the new Ladder Secretary, proposed the following:

Motion: That for the 2011/12 year, the MDLTA should let the Treasurer and Ladder Secretary decide if they want to use their own addresses or use a PO Box and will let the executive committee know very soon. Moved: Ros Rodgers, Sec. Julie Samson

Carried unanimously

3. **Notice of all meetings and Publication of Minutes:** Danielle Borle asked if all club contacts could be informed of all MDLTA meetings and asked that the minutes of all meetings be distributed. Julie Samson replied that she had distributed minutes of the AGM and Special General Meeting and had also informed club contacts of the By-laws amendment meetings and discussions. After much discussion it was pointed out

- that all meetings were open to MDLTA participants however only M & P members could vote at M & P meetings.
- During M & P meetings to organise sections and teams for next season, proper and due process is followed during the grading process. Statistical data for teams and players is available during rankings and any correspondence submitted with team entries is considered before sections and teams are organised for new season. E.g. the following contentious issues are usually discussed: 6, 7 or 8 team sections, format of finals etc.
- the small Executive Committee meetings to discuss luncheon arrangements didn't need to be open.
- the small working-party meetings (usually attended by people on the Executive) to discuss such things as amending By-laws, or introducing a new administrative system could be open if an expression of interest is received.
- **Outcome:** The Secretary and President will have to ensure that they have current email contacts for all clubs and that forthcoming meetings and minutes of meetings are published.

4. **Timing of MDLTA round-robin (currently held by Gisborne TC):** Danielle Borle pointed out that several teams have a problem finding players during Country Week and asked if a general Bye could be created. Marg Burns said that 17 Tuesdays are required to accommodate the home-and-away matches plus finals, 18 Tuesdays if a spare-week for finals wash-outs is considered. DB asked if the MDLTA round-robin at the beginning of the year could be held during the school-holiday or during Country Week. After much discussion, the following direction was given: Each club contact will be asked to poll all their teams and each club will decide if they agree or disagree to the proposition that the following should occur: In 2012 the pre-season MDLTA round-robin will be held on Tuesday 14th February, thus creating a bye during Country Week.

This was not put to the vote but was generally agreed upon as an action to be taken

Outcome: The Secretary will poll club representatives, and ask for a vote by 30th October.

5. **On-Line Tennis Scoring System:** Danielle Borle informed the meeting that it was possible to have a free trial of an on-line tennis scoring system for the first 2012 season. Ros Rodgers was very much in favour of trialling this as it will decrease the Ladder Secretary's job by several hours a week.

Motion: a working-party (comprised of Danielle Borle, Ros Rodgers and Anna Karopoulos) will meet to discuss how to implement and trial such a system. Moved: Ros Rodgers, Seconded, Anna Karopoulos **Carried unanimously**

6. **Raising Current Team Registration Fees to cover costs of Trophies/Pennants:** Maureen Lebner alluded, in her Treasurer's report, to the possible need to raise Team fees to cover the costs of Trophies which are rising in price. DB said that the MDLTA fees of \$15 per team and \$5 per club registration are the cheapest around and should be raised.

Motion: Clubs be asked if fees should be raised to \$20 per team.

Moved: Bronwyn Pemberton, Seconded, Danielle Borle. **Carried unanimously**

Outcome: The Secretary will poll club representatives, and ask for a vote by 30th October

Meeting Closed: 9.30 pm